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Sikeston Taxpayers Raised \$57,000 During Year 1931 Says City Collector Taylor

Although collections for the year 1931 amount to only \$57,121.07 as compared with \$58,301.80 collected in 1930, the returns represent a net increase in view of decreased assessments, lower water rates, and absence of a special light plant tax, according to Elmos Taylor, city collector, who has the 1931 record up to the minute ready for approval by the City Council.

It should be remembered, said Taylor Saturday, that assessments in Sikeston were reduced approximately \$23,000 during the past year, that a special tax of 55 cents per hundred dollars of assessed valuation, collected, and refunded in 1930, does not appear on the books this year, and that a drop in water rates effective last October, lowered net revenues about \$225 per month.

In view of these facts more persons paid their taxes this past year than during 1930.

December collections amounted to \$17,822.46, the largest single tax-paying month of the year.

Tabulated by departments, local taxpayers paid during the year on the following items:

Real Estate	\$15,998.93
Personal taxes	6,080.64
Poll tax	864.00
Cemetery tax	235.00
Merchants' tax	2,151.08
Dog taxes	76.00
Automobile and truck	3,236.00
Merchants license	7,273.50
Graves sold	483.00
Water bills	16,134.85
Water equipment sold	594.53
Water meter deposits	145.00
Interest collected	535.47
Clerk costs	67.30
Collectors commission	273.29
Rents	614.50
Sewer Permits	75.00
Building permits	46.00
Weed cutting	71.00
Miscellaneous	2,137.97
Misc. Real Estate	13.98
TOTAL COLLECTED	\$57,121.07

Light Plant Separate

The above figures do not include one important department of city revenue, that of the Municipal Light and Power Plant. The plant has been in operation since June this year, but collections are handled by the Board of Public Works office in the City Hall, and do not appear on the annual collector's report. Another municipally owned department, the Water Plant, shows total collections larger than any other single item including real estate taxes. Total revenues from this department during 1932 will probably be smaller by at least \$2400, since a rate reduction went into effect in October, 1931. It is possible, however, that installation of more meters, or another severe drought this summer with its resultant increased demand for water, will slightly offset this loss.

Another item will be missed from the 1932 report of the collector. The Missouri State Highway Department, Division 10 occupied the upper floor of the City Hall for several years past, and remitted a total of \$614.50 rent. The Division office is now housed in its own buildings, and the city property mentioned is vacant for the time being.

Frisco Cannot Pay

Notification has been received by city and county officials that the St. Louis-San Francisco Railroad cannot at this time pay its annual taxes, included in the table of payments under miscellaneous. Frisco officials asked for an extension of time, probably until May, saying that interest payments on bonds would have to be defaulted if tax payments were demanded now. To default on bonds would probably mean receivership for the line and consequent delay of 1931 tax receipts, and the extension will probably be granted.

Although Taylor's books are closed for the year, the Council in its regular Monday meeting Monday night, January 4, will vote upon the question of extending the time for payment of taxes a few weeks without penalty.

MAKES APPEAL FOR LOCAL MUSEUM OF INDIAN RELICS

Some time ago The Standard published an article at the bequest of Kenzie Kenneth Baker, in which this collector of Indian relics and of pioneer household articles offered to establish a museum in Sikeston. In the following article Mr. Baker outlines his plan more fully and asks for expressions of public sentiment.

Having searched through Scott, Mississippi, New Madrid and adjoining counties for the past twenty years for Indian Relics and things of archaeological and educational value, my luck has been good in most of my journeys, and I now have a collection of several hundred articles at White's Drug Store in this city and at other places in Southeast Missouri, the collection consist of pottery, stone and bone implements made and used by the mound builders and Indians. I have together and the next question is of this kind have been gathered at institutions in other cities and communities. I want my collection kept here because this is my home country, having been born south of Buckeye in what is now Bennett School District in Mississippi County, January 8, 1878, and am well known in this neighborhood.

I like this city because it is the center of the territory and has been my home town for several years. Although there is a nice collection of Indian relics which was given to the high school by the late E. C. Matthews, he and I had talked of a museum for Sikeston. I have other collections that I have gathered that should be in a museum. Old pioneer relics consisting of spinning wheels, fireplace cooking utensils, old guns and revolvers and some old moneys and other rare relics. Some of these relics I keep on display at White's Drug Store all the time. I have had some good prices offered me here of

late and being a poor man, it was very tempting, but this is my home country and this collecting is my life's work and I want it to remain here for the benefit and education of the people that I have lived by and with. I want to be loyal to my country and neighborhood and its people.

If the city will get me a good building as near fireproof as possible, that I can place my collections that I have now and other articles that I collect as long as I live and if I am allowed to make my home with and to manage these collections for myself and the city and that I get a living out of it, then at my demise I want said collections to pass to the City of Sikeston.

I would like to hear from the citizens of Sikeston and my friends throughout Southeast Missouri as to what they think about my proposal.

Yours,

KENZIE KENNETH BAKER
(Shawnee-o-Rock-Eagle)
White's Drug Store or Standard Office, Sikeston, Mo.

ATTEND DOUBLE FUNERAL AT UNION, TENN., SATURDAY

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Massengill of this city returned home Sunday evening from Union City, Tenn., where they attended a double funeral service Saturday afternoon, for Walter Knox Averett and his student companion, who met their death in an automobile wreck on their way to the University of Tennessee, New Year's Day. The two boys had spent the holidays with parents and friends in Union City. Mr. Averett is a nephew of Mr. and Mrs. Massengill.

ALVIN TAYLOR MUCH BETTER SAY EXPERTS

A telegram last week-end, and a long distance talk Saturday with specialists at Barnes Hospital, assured Mrs. Alvin Taylor of this city that Mr. Taylor, now under treatment for a nervous disorder, was improving nicely. He was resting well and seemed to respond favorably to treatment, Mrs. Taylor was informed.

Day By Day With Gov. Patterson

From the Memphis Commercial-Appeal

The good Lord assuredly tempered the cold winds to the shorn lambs of adversity this Christmas week.

Those who sell coal or deal in other kinds of fuel might complain of business in their line being dull, but those who were without the money to buy their heat had the consolation of the free and gracious gift of warmth, which seemed to permeate all things animate and inanimate.

It would be hard for even the oldest inhabitant to recall such well nigh perfect weather, and as 1931 lies now almost at the point of death, we may set down in our memory books the past few days and regard them as a partial compensation for some of the troubles and disappointments the old year has brought upon us.

There is always something to be thankful for, as the dog said when he lost the greater part of his ears and the most of his tail. It will not always be pleasant though. There are gloomy days ahead, days when the cold rains will beat upon the roofs of the houses of the poor and search for weak spots in the covering to bring the discomfort and misery of dampness by night, and start old joints to aching by day.

Blasts will come out of the north to chill the thin blood of the aged and infirm, and cause the teeth of undernourished and underclothed children to chatter, their thoughts to wander as they look on the warm lights shining from the windows of those better circumstanced, and hear the happy voices within. It is indeed a sad sight to see a cold, neglected, scantily clad child unable to aid itself.

No one can probably fully understand its sufferings for it has the capacity to suffer equally with the children of the rich, and no one knows or can measure the pain when the iron pierces the hearts of the very poor. There are strong men and women, too, who are going to be in deep distress when ice forms in the streets and the bitter winds begin to lash and sting in their increasing fury. Many of them will be the fathers and mothers of little children and the most poignant distress of these parents will be the thought that they cannot shelter and provide for their children as they should be sheltered and provided for. It's a bad thing to think about when there is no work for those who are able and willing to work.

It is not a reflection upon our mother, the earth, for she has been unusually generous this year, but there are thousands upon thousands who have depended upon jobs in the cities, and when the jobs fail all in the way of independence and comfortable living has also gone.

The reflection is upon our short-sighted upstart civilization, that has succeeded so much in making a display of great cities that it has forgotten the blood, the muscle and the bone that made them great.

The poor we will always have. If the Scriptures did not tell us so we would know it of our own knowledge of human beings. We can never abolish poverty by law but we can help the poor. They will need help this winter. Let us not forget them, or imagine that pleasant weather will continue.

The one man or woman who fails by his or her own fault is as much the object of our own solicitude, if not of our admiration, as those who have failed because they could not help it.

Often the most deserving of our thoughts is the one who has tried but who has been weak. At least none of us can assume the easy and superior virtue of looking upon poverty of any sort as a crime. We ourselves may be as insecure in morals as the poor are of bread.

OLD GRADS GO DOWN IN DEFEAT AT HANDS OF REGULARS FRIDAY P. M.

Regulars on local basketball squads upheld the honor of the school New Years afternoon by defeating alumni and alumnae teams in a charity engagement. The girls team, under the guidance of Coach Schreff, won 32 to 9 defeating Jo Andres Audenfeld, Alma Jones Medley, Ann Beck, Mount and high school students Virginia Baker and Mary Lou McCoy.

The boys staged a genuine come-back after their trouncing at the hands of Cunningham's Desloge quintet and sent the old grad team to the showers with a one-point defeat, 15 to 14. Last year's regulars, J. F. Cox, the Hayden brothers and Wieder Jones, were assisted by Willard Mount and Bill Baker.

Local cagers will entertain Morehouse here Friday night in a double-header. The Morehouse girls will bear watching as they have yet to lose a game this year, and in each of five contests piled up a margin of at least 15 points over their opponents. The visiting boys have an average team, which should result in a fairly close score up to the half, with Sikeston gaining a safe lead in the last half. It will take high class basketball on the part of Schreff's cagers to defeat the visiting girls.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Anderson and children returned from Jacksonville, Ill., Friday, where they enjoyed the holidays with Mrs. Anderson's mother and sister's family.

SCOTT-STODDARD HARNESS THIEVES REPORTED CAUGHT

Bloomfield, December 29.—A ring of harness thieves that has been operating in Stoddard and Scott Counties was broken up by officers with the arrest of Walter "Bull Dog" Morris, Harrison Gibbs, Pemberton Kinney and Lester Lowery and the recovery of six sets of stolen harness.

The men were apprehended when a constable arranged to buy a set of used harness from one of the four. When he went to look over his prospective purchase, he took along sheriff Scott of Scott County.

MUSIC CLUB WILL MEET

The Sikeston Music Club will meet Friday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Joe Bowman.

The Eastern Star will have an all-day meeting in the hall Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Welter entertained with a dinner Sunday evening. Covers were laid for sixteen guests. They will be hosts to twelve guests Tuesday evening.

Charlie Hebbeler of Festus was in Sikeston Monday looking after his dairy interests. He informs us that he recently sold two Poland China gilts from his farm here to Burleigh Grimes, baseball star, for his farm near New Haven, Mo.

WILL ATTEND JACKSON DAY BANQUET FRIDAY IN SPRINGFIELD, MO.

Tom Scott, Sheriff of Scott County, Ray B. Lucas, Chairman of the Scott County Democratic Committee; Gus Slickman of Oran, C. C. White and C. L. Blanton, Sr., of Sikeston, have made arrangements to attend the annual Jackson Day banquet, Friday, January 8, at Springfield, Mo. The event is sponsored by the Democratic Women's Club and Democratic Central Committee of Greene County, and will be attended by Senator Jas. A. Reed, speaker of the occasion.

Local and district Democrats see in the meeting an opportunity to boost Russell L. Dearmont of Cape Girardeau, candidate for the nomination of governor on the Democratic slate in the coming primary.

WALTER ANDRES, 13, RESPONDS TO TREATMENT

Walter Andres, 13, under treatment for the past several weeks in Barnes Hospital, St. Louis, for an infected leg, returned home last Friday in company with Frank Dye. Walter is much improved, and will spend the next three weeks in Sikeston. After that he will return for another period of treatment.

Mesdames Snyder, Robert Voglesang, Alvin Bergmann, Wm. Bergmann, Carl Voglesang, Gene Ruff and Bergmann Snyder of Cape Girardeau were guests of Mrs. E. C. Matthews, Saturday.

The Lair Company To Be In Their New Home, The Dorroh Building, By February 1

"That Interesting Store", celebrating its thirty-fourth year in Southeast Missouri next August, will move from its present location on west Front Street to larger quarters by February 1, according to F. D. Lair, who Saturday confirmed the rumor that the furniture company had leased the entire, three-story White-Dorroh Building on west Center Street.

Eleven or twelve years ago the Lair Company operated a music store in the Chaney Building on Kingshighway, and later in the McCoy Building on Malone Avenue, this city, while maintaining an excellent furniture store in Charleston. About 14 months ago Mr. Lair and associates purchased the stock and attractive stores of its kind in Southeast Missouri. That point however, must be left for the public to decide. A sharply lower rental in the new quarters with much superior facilities for handling furniture will place us in a position to successfully meet any and all competition, mail order houses not excepted. We expect to move on or about February 1.

John Powell, local agent for the owners of the Dorroh Building, stated Monday that arrangements were being completed to have several tenants of the building vacate immediately. The lower floor is used as a storage place for used cars while the entire second floor is being used for storing cotton.

Mr. Lair's statement to the public follows:

We have leased the Dorroh Building because our business in Sikeston seems to justify us in seeking larger quarters. There is of course a great deal more room there than is needed for a representative stock of home furnishings but we expect to utilize the upper floor for public storage purposes and hope to build up considerable business along that line by rendering careful service at reasonable cost. The ground floor will be thoroughly cleaned, relighted and decorated, inside and out. After that is done and the new stock is arranged we should have one of the most attractive stores of its kind in Southeast Missouri. That point however, must be left for the public to decide. A sharply lower rental in the new quarters with much superior facilities for handling furniture will place us in a position to successfully meet any and all competition, mail order houses not excepted. We expect to move on or about February 1.

Further details of the move may be found from week to week in our columns of "Store News".

TWO MEN ROB BANK OF BLODGETT MONDAY ESCAPE WITH \$1500

Two young men, shabbily dressed, entered the Bank of Blodgett Monday afternoon about 2:30 o'clock, held up George W. Pearman at the point of a gun, and made good their escape with between \$1500 and \$2000 in silver and currency.

A representative of the bank described the men to a Standard reporter as follows: The men were white, about 30 years old, and shabbily dressed. One wore a hat, the other a cap. They parked an old open model car, make unknown, outside of the bank building, and one stood guard outside while the other entered the bank, and threatened Pearman.

Bank employees were taken completely by surprise and were unable to give complete, satisfactory descriptions of the visitors. The robbers worked in a hurry, and after Pearman handed over the money, both drove south of Blodgett on the old road toward Miner Switch.

An alarm sounded immediately rounded up all county, local officer and highway patrolmen. Various reports were received here late Monday afternoon to the effect that the pair had been rounded up, but confirmation could not be had at 3:30 o'clock.

CITY COUNCIL TO MEET

The regular monthly meeting of the City Council is scheduled to be held tonight, January 4 at the City Hall. Among other things Aldermen will discuss the advisability of extending the non-penalty period on local taxes.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to extend our sincere appreciation to the many friends and neighbors who assisted us during the illness and who extended courtesies in the death of Mrs. Ellen Ball, of Matthews. Especially do we wish to thank Rev. Margraves for his several visits during her illness, and for his words of consolation.

The Family.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to extend heartfelt thanks to our friends and neighbors who so kindly assisted us during the tragic death of our father, John Richard Kyle.

MRS. C. L. HAMBY
MRS. L. B. GARNETT
A. A. KYLE
J. S. KYLE

Shirley Jean Daugherty, 5-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Daugherty, is confined to her home with pneumonia.

CONSIDER CHANGES IN FOOTBALL RULES TO PREVENT DEATHS

New York, December 29.—Seven suggestions for changes in the rules to prevent a recurrence of the many injuries and deaths which marked the 1931 football season were put forward today at the annual meeting of the American Football Coaches Association. They were included in a report of the rules committee which itself refrained from making specific recommendations.

Failure of the committee to recommend any definite changes brought brought a storm of debate. The discussion centered largely on the suggestions transmitted by Burt Ingwersen, chairman of the rules committee, which were as follows:

1. Use of tee for kickoff.
2. Restricting seven linemen on receiving team to positions between the 40 and 50 yard line, with ends five yards inside the sidelines, to break up mass interference or wedge.
3. Permit kicking side to punt.
4. More specific rules against roughing the forward passer.
5. Allow a team making the kickoff to run with the ball if it intercepts a lateral pass attempted by the receiving team.
6. Rules regarding interference with a forward pass receiver be made more specific.
7. Put goal posts back on the goal line to promote field goals.

Herbert McCracken, of Lafayette College, reported on a survey of 19 deaths among high school players, which showed that in every case the dead boy never should have been allowed to play in the first place. More careful medical supervision of high school players is needed, he said.

A committee headed by Dr. Mal Stevens, of Yale, was appointed to make a survey of the causes of football deaths and report to the next meeting.

ALTAR SOCIETY OF CHURCH ELECTS NEW OFFICERS

The following officers were elected for the new year by the Altar Society of the Catholic church.

Mrs. Walter Clymer—President
Mrs. Charles Dover—Secretary-Treasurer.

Mrs. Theo. Sherer and Mrs. Goza are the retiring president and secretary-treasurer.

We are glad to report that E. J. Keith is improving, after a siege with the flu.

Mrs. Kate Harris has closed her home for the winter months and is now pleasantly located with Mrs. F. M. Sikes. Her daughters, Misses Lydia and Audrey Chaney are at the Handy Smith home, where they have been for the past two winters.

NO RISKS THIS WAY—Why run the risks of spoilage and breakage when you have things to be moved or transferred? Live stock, household goods, trunks or baggage are usually far too important to chance to inexperience and carelessness. Whenever you have moving of any sort to be handled speedily and economically, think first of POTASHNICK TRUCK SERVICE, Phone 11—the Oldest Truck Line Serving Southeast Missouri Daily.

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As a young man trying to learn to play poker, we were advised to put up our money and we would learn the value of cards sooner. Same with contract bridge. Some are putting up money to learn to play the game, but cannot win without the cards.

Early in the New Year if all of us would resolve to pay as we go or do without, all would be better off at the end of the year and live just about as well. These days most of us have our wages spent before it is earned.

Speaker of the House at Washington, John H. Garner of Texas, has had a picture of Andrew Jackson hung over his desk, we suppose, to put backbone into him. Something of the sort is badly needed in Washington.

Secretary of State Charles-U. Becker, who has been actively campaigning for several months for the Republican nomination for the governorship in the primary election in August, 1932, Thursday filed his formal declaration of candidacy.

When a committee of the Republican National Committee called upon President Hoover to inform him that they had decided to keep him in the White House another four years, he thanked them and stated that he was encouraged by the party's solidarity. With less enthusiasm he added, "But I don't know whether I should thank you for your promise to keep me here another four years or not".

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THE EMPIRE OF THE AIR

It isn't true that talk is cheap. On the contrary, talk is man's most valuable possession. If we didn't have names for things and actions, we'd be like the dumb animals, unable to communicate with one another. Words, names, talk, these are the foundation of all knowledge, of civilization.

Because we are so familiar with them, we don't appreciate the value of words. "Here's a quarter. Get five pounds of cooking apples from the corner grocery", says mother to Tom, aged nine. He grumbles, takes the money and brings home the apples—minus one. Simple, isn't it? But think of the complications that would arise if this commonplace transaction had to be completed without words.

Gutenberg's invention of movable type enabled mankind to spread the word to the limits of the earth at low cost in a short time. It started an ever rising flood of embalmed talk. Type and printing press liberated the average man, rescued him through the spread of knowledge from base ignorance, superstition and actual bondage. Today's freedom to cuss the may, the governor and the president, to criticize the judges and tell the prosecutor to go to hades, we owe to the printed page.

Ten years ago the printed word received reinforcements. Through radio it suddenly became possible to project the spoken word from one source into millions of homes at the same instant. Almost overnight a scientific toy became a new means of mass

Christmas Eve came to Hungry amid the cracking of whips and the firing of rifles. Groups of boys carried about small figures of the Virgin Mary and the Child, singing carols. The head of the house gathered his family around the Christmas tree and asked the members to forgive him for any injustice in the last year. How many of us have ever thought of asking forgiveness from our families for short words, fits of ill temper, and the like. For one we are going to publicly ask forgiveness for any shortcomings at our home, and to the public generally.

To Congressman Fulbright: We hope you will not be one of the Democrats to vote for cutting salaries of Government clerks in Washington or elsewhere. It is an old gag for Democrats to reform things by saving a few dimes on Government clerks and never touching their own salaries. You Congressmen living in Washington know that your own clerks have a hard time getting by on the salary allowed them, so why make it harder on clerks having families to support. Look out for the big rat holes and let the earth worms alone. We strongly recommend working on the tariff in order that we can ship our surplus to foreign nations and in return receive manufactured goods to cover our nakedness.

We have a nice bale of Congressional Records in the office sent to us by Congressman Jim Fulbright. If any of our readers wish to improve their minds they are welcome to come in and examine the day-by-day record of Congress, at work and during horse play.

We had the pleasure of meeting Miss Edith Hensley Saturday. Miss Hensley will be our correspondent on Route 3, and fully maintains the office boast of having the finest looking group of workers of any shop in Missouri. If you don't believe us, well, ask Miss Hensley or anyone in the office.

A cartoon in a magazine shows an elevator in a department building jammed full of men, when a good looking woman with her arms filled with packages elbowed her way into the group. Soon the woman exclaimed: "Some man in this elevator has mighty cold hands".

communication with vast possibilities, promising to render most important service in fostering the nation's welfare.

That promise has not been kept. Instead of helping to lift mass intelligence, the foundation of democracy, to higher levels, radio is debasing it by broadcasting drivel, dulling its appetite by a diet consisting mostly of advertising mixed with the lightest of entertainment. Fortune tellers, astrologers, medical quacks, fakers and schemers clamor on the air for the attention and the cash of the gullible, while education and information are denied the use of the ether channels.

Congress has never been satisfied with the present radio condition. Despite powerful opposition Congress has always forced the federal authorities to tie a string to the grant of every radio license. Congress feared a radio monopoly and did its best to forestall it; nevertheless a group of powerful corporations today rules radio with an iron rod. Given a few years more to consolidate its position, given a less watchful Congress, this group will have so strong a hold on the country's electrical communications system that nothing can break it.

The dramatic story of radio, of its invention and development, of the attempts to monopolize the field and of the fight to prevent such a monopoly, will be told in a series of articles of which this is the first.

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We are in receipt of a letter from Larry Brunk wanting us to help him smoke out C. C. White until White tells him all about his clerks, the why and wherefore. All right, we'll do it. We'll advise Mr. White to tell Mr. Brunk to go to hell. Mr. White might also tell him the statute of limitation has not expired and if Mr. Brunk is honest, he will turn his attention to the late Republican House and inquire as to their clerks and who got the money. Mr. Brunk thinks he is doing a noble work while many people believe it spite work and contemptible, and to cover up his own short comings.

It may be, as many folks tell us, that living conditions are the worst than anybody can remember. Still, we haven't heard anybody wishing to die, so living hasn't really gotten as bad as it is made out to be.—Shelbina Democrat.

Envious of none, I am determined to be pleased with all; and this being the order of my march, I will move gently down the stream of life, until I sleep with my fathers.—George Washington.

Eddie Cantor's New Year's resolution is to love his neighbor as himself. Eddie says it's going to be easy because his neighbor is Norma Shearer.

The Jonesboro, Ark., Tribune, a newspaper, has taken advantage of the bankrupt law to settle its bills. Hundreds of other newspapers will be on the same boat during the next few months unless business conditions improve.

Sheriff Tom Scott was in town Friday. He was heading toward the City Hall with Mayor Fuchs the last we saw of him.

Legs Diamond, trouble-making gangster of wide repute, has been plugged in the head, and buried in a muddy grave, with about a half dozen lamenting his taking-off, and no one willing to conduct a consoling service for the few who will really miss him. Not one of his cronies or henchmen put in an appearance. Even the blare of a pompous underworld funeral was denied him. His bleak and dismal end was a symbol of his worse than useless life. If the public were to select his epitaph, his tombstone would be inscribed: "Good riddance to bad rubbish".

Chas. L. Blanton, Sr., and Chas. L. Blanton, Jr., publishers of The Sikeston Standard, visited their sisters and brothers in Paris Monday and Tuesday. They print the largest semi-weekly newspaper in Missouri. The Standard's editorial page is in a class to itself. Its paragraphs used to be written with a pen that had been dipped in vitriol. Since Charley has grown old and fat, however, mutton tallow has been substituted for the vitriol and, except when somebody slips a cocklebur under the saddle, it is a peace-on-earth proposition, and a very constructive one, too. Charley Junior has few equals as a business getter.—Paris Appeal.

There is a certain style that seems prominent among male graduates and seniors of our high school that has always aroused our disgust. It can be found now in the high school as it was in the past. Boys who seemed to be impressed with their own physique more than anyone else have a peculiar habit of holding their shoulders anomalously high and pulling the head down so that their neck might be as short as possible. We have tried the position, it does make you feel a bit strong whether you are or not. One looks as though he might spring upon another any moment. If this particular position was of any benefit to molding a more perfect posture we would not complain, but it is more of a hindrance than benefit to posture. We have often walked up to the strong men just to see if they would growl but they didn't.—Jackson Cash Book.

THIS WEEK IN MO. HISTORY

(Floyd C. Shoemaker)

Last of the French commanders and Lieutenant-governors of Upper Louisiana, Capt. Louis St. Ange de Bellerive died at the post of St. Louis on December 26, 1774, and was buried the next day, one hundred and fifty-seven years ago this week.

As the ranking officer of France in all the great unexplored area west of the Mississippi, St. Ange on May 20, 1770, had surrendered St. Louis to the Spanish lieutenant-governor Piernas. The transfer was but an act in the great European drama in which England had wrested all the land east of the Mississippi from France, and France had ceded all her lands west of the river to Spain.

St. Ange was a Canadian by birth. Little is known of his life, even the year of his birth being lost. From his youth he had been in the military service of France, in Canada and the Illinois Country, and in 1765, when he ceased to be commander of Fort Chartres in the Illinois Country, he was known to be well advanced in years. On October 10, 1765, St. Ange surrendered Fort Chartres to Capt. Sterling of the British forces, and retired with his soldiers, numbering some 20 men, to the post of St. Louis, which was in territory owned by Spain, but not yet formally claimed, and therefore, still under the rule of France.

Dispute has arisen among historians concerning St. Ange's authority at St. Louis. Frederick L. Billon and J. Thomas Scharf, St. Louis historians, wrote that St. Ange ruled the post by common consent and that the government was in effect a democratic one.

Louis Houck, in his "History of Missouri", however, ridiculed this contention, maintaining that St. Ange was the legal acting-governor of the Illinois Country west of the Mississippi, and even though the land was owned by Spain, that country never had taken possession officially. St. Ange, then, Houck said, merely continued to exercise at St. Louis, the same authority he held at Fort Chartres, when he was commander of all the Illinois Country.

During St. Ange's term of office at St. Louis, he started the Livre Terriens, or Land Books. For the first time, the grants of land to individuals were recorded at St. Louis. The register began on April 27, 1766, with a grant to Joseph Labuscieri. St. Ange was the one who made the grants. Before this system of registering grants was started, Laclede, the founder of the city, had given land to residents by verbal grant.

A council, probably the same that governed at Fort Chartres, was set up in St. Louis by St. Ange. Piernas, who later became the Spanish lieutenant-governor at St. Louis said the council was "composed of four useless habitants and one attorney, a notorious drunkard". As for the French official, Piernas called him "the good-for-nothing Monsieur St. Ange". But Piernas probably had reasons of his own for disliking the St. Louis council.

Capt. Rui of the Spanish service arrived at St. Louis in 1767. He came to build a fort, "El Principe des Asturias" at the mouth of the Missouri. Rui was disagreeable and generally disliked, and in 1769, on March 10, the fort was surrendered to Capt. Pedro Joseph Piernas, Rui's successor. Neither Rui nor Piernas took official possession of the Upper Louisiana country at this time and St. Ange continued as governor. St. Ange even conducted a suit against Piernas' men for a debt owed to St. Louis merchants. The matter was settled by payment, but Piernas seemed to be disturbed over the incident.

Piernas was called to New Orleans in 1769 and being reappointed to Upper Louisiana, returned to St. Louis where on May 20, 1770, the province was officially surrendered by St. Ange.

Billon says that St. Ange continued after the transfer as a captain of Spanish troops at St. Louis, on half pay. On December 26, 1774, St.

Ange, on his death bed at the home of Madame Chouteau, drew up his will before Governor Piernas, naming his old friend Laclede his executor. Later the same day St. Ange died, and was buried the next day by Father Valentin.

IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of our little girl, Cornelia "Cookie" Cobb, who passed away one year ago today, December 28, 1930:

We had a little treasure once,
She was our joy and pride,
We loved her, oh perhaps too well,
For soon she slept and died.
All is dark within our dwelling,
Lonely are our hearts today,
For the one we loved so dearly,
Has forever passed away.
When with friends I am lonesome,
In the midst of my joys I'm blue,
With a smile on my face I've a heartache
Longing, sweet baby, for you.
Sadly missed by parents' brother,
sister and relatives.

WOULD NAB TAX DODGERS TO INCREASE REVENUE

Washington, December 30.—Speaker Garner said today the Democrats expect to raise \$200,000,000 in revenue without additional levies of taxes, as one method of meeting the treasury deficit.

The increased revenue, as outlined by him, would be obtained by the en-

actment of amendments to existing laws to stop loopholes through which taxes are evaded.

This is one phase of the study the Texas representative conducted last summer into present revenue legislation, with a view to perfecting the revenue law.

CAIRO SHERIFF LOSES LEG IN CAR WRECK FEELS FINE SAME DAY

Sounds like patent medicine stuff, but it's a fact. Sheriff Charles Koehler of Alexander County, Ill., lost the use of one of his legs in a car wreck, 16 miles north of Canton, Mississippi Wednesday night—a cork one. "I didn't even feel it", said the officer when pulled from under the machine.

Mrs. Koehler and their son, Chas., Jr., also received injuries which will keep them in the hospital for a day or two. They were enroute to New Orleans to visit J. P. Morgan, wealthy lumberman, and brother-in-law of the sheriff, and Eddie Morgan, big league baseball star, a nephew.

As a gaily beribboned bottle of blended water was crashed against the sharp bow, the newest American liner started gracefully down the ways to the historic Delaware in high tide.

For many years the author of the "Waverly Novels" was unknown. Sir Walter Scott did not think it quite decorous "for me as a clerk of sessions, to write novels."

GIDEON YOUTH, MARRIED 4 MONTHS, ENDS LIFE BY HANGING TUESDAY

Funeral services were conducted at Gideon Thursday afternoon for Blyth Colston, 22 years old, a farm laborer who committed suicide Tuesday night, it is alleged over the fact that parents of his bride would not permit the couple to live together. Young Colston had been married four months. Although born in Kentucky, Colston moved to St. Louis with his parents about five years ago, and last fall came to Gideon, where he met and married Miss Pauline Jones. "If I can't live with her, I don't want to live", Colston told Carl Chambers, an acquaintance, early Wednesday, then added, "I am going to kill myself". Later, while Chambers went to a nearby dwelling to summon aid, Colston ran to a tree standing beside a country road, climbed up in it, tied a rope to a limb, then around his neck and leaped into space. He was dead when Chambers with others arrived.

A short time before killing himself, Colston said he could not live apart from his wife, but declared her parents had endeavored to keep them from living together, it was claimed.

S. E. Holmes, coroner, returned a verdict that the youth came to his death at his own hands by hanging himself.

In telling her age a woman is often shy—in more ways than one.

What's New in the New Chevrolet Six

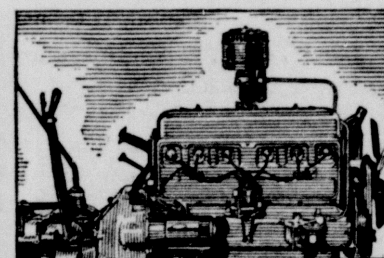
When you read what's new in the new Chevrolet Six, you, too, will agree it's the Great American Value for 1932. Syncro-Mesh and Free Wheeling combined for the first time in a low-priced car! Engine and chassis improvements that raise performance to new heights of power, speed and smoothness! The finest

Fisher bodies Chevrolet has ever introduced. And the same qualities of reliability and economy that have won the approval of millions of Chevrolet owners. All these you will find in the new Chevrolet Six at one of the lowest prices in the market! That's why the new Chevrolet Six is called the Great American Value for 1932!



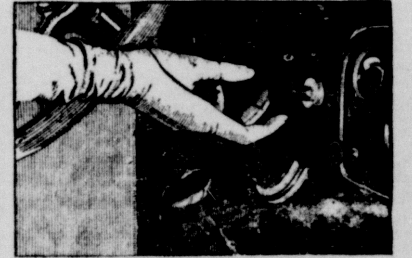
Syncro-Mesh Transmission

Syncro-Mesh permits you to shift gears with marvelous quickness, quietness and ease. It even enables you to shift rapidly from high back into second, any time you want to use the braking force of the engine.



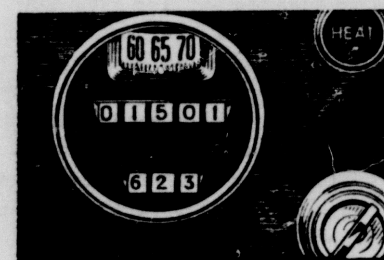
A Smoother, Improved Six-Cylinder Engine

Chevrolet now has down-draft carburetion, new cylinder head, manifold, counter-balanced crankshaft and rubber mounting, increasing power 20 per cent to 60 horsepower.



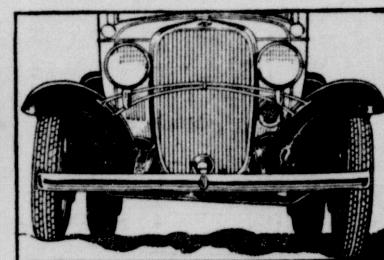
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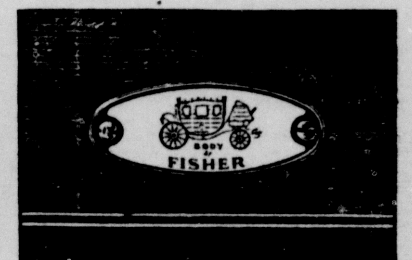
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LOCAL AND PERSONAL
FROM MORLEY

Harold Ragains spent last week-end in Memphis, Tenn., Lake View and West Point, Miss., the guest of relatives, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Modglin.

Rev. and Mrs. T. G. Craft entertained friends from Des Arc, their former pastorate, Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Little entertained Christmas Day with a family 12 o'clock dinner. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Ragains and family of Jackson, Garret Verhines of Vienna, Ill., Mr. and Mrs. U. G. Ragains and family of Morley, Mrs. Mary Ragains of Morley and Miss Maxine Jenkins of Jackson.

Mr. and Mrs. U. G. Ragains had as their guests during the holidays, Mrs. Anna Ancell of Sikeston, Mrs. P. M. Yowell of St. Louis, Mrs. Ray Oliver and son of Detroit, Mich., Misses Thelma Ragains and Maxine Jenkins of Jackson, Rev. and Mrs. T. G. Craft and children of Morley, Garret Verhines of Vienna, Ill., and Miss Wilma Ragains of Sikeston.

Dale Margrave of McMullin, formerly of Morley, renewed acquaintances of Morley high school Monday, his school in Sikeston enjoying a week's vacation.

Mrs. U. G. Ragains and Miss Wilma, Mrs. Anna Ancell of Sikeston and Mrs. P. M. Yowell of St. Louis motored to Marble Hill Tuesday to be guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Miller and Miss Dorothea. They also vis-

ited Fred Ancell of Cape Girardeau. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Shook, formerly of Morley, but now of Phoenix, Ariz., are expected to arrive here on Wednesday to again make Morley their home. Mr. Shook will open a garage in the Ragains building.

Mrs. J. S. Keese and daughters, Misses Mildred and Dorothy Ruth, will return Saturday from St. Louis, where they have been with Mr. Keese as he underwent a second operation on his eye. His condition is slightly improved at the present.

Roy Ragains spent the holidays as the guest of his cousin, Varnel Ragains of Jackson and enjoyed some hunting trips in the hills.

Miss Mabel Caughlin of Kennett visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Caughlin, during the Christmas holidays.

Jim Mac Emerson, who is in St. Francis Hospital, Cape Girardeau, recuperating from an appendicitis operation, is expected home the latter part of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Emerson and sons of Hayti were guests at the H. F. Emerson home, Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Clifford Foster of Racine, Wis., and Mrs. Walter Perdue and daughters of St. Louis, left via motor Tuesday morning for their respective homes.

Laurita Joan, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hal Boyce, has been very sick the past few days, but is some better.

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Miller and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Kilmer and son of Dexter spent Sunday with Mrs.

Kilmer's parents, Dr. and Mrs. C. D. Harris.

family and Mrs. Mattie Bast of Jackson were week-end visitors at the R. H. Leslie home.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bess and daughters of Flat River are spending part of their holiday vacation with Mrs. Flora Daugherty and family. Mr. Bess is a teacher.

Miss Mildred Hutchings of Hayti and Miss Louise Krouse of Chaffee are house guests of Miss Ruth Cunningham this week.

Carl Leslie of St. Louis returned to his home Sunday night, after a few days' Xmas vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Leslie.

Misses Mabel Foster and Rose Marie Wells of Benton spent part of the holidays with Miss Helen Miles.

Miss Marie Esmon returned the first of the week from a holiday visit spent with Miss Leona Emerson at Hayti.

Mr. and Mrs. Alford Bryant and little son were in Oran Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Cas. Wolpers and children of Poplar Bluff are guests of the former's mother, Mrs. Elmira Bynum, this week.

Mrs. F. M. Lynn returned to Fomfelt Sunday, after a holiday visit with her daughter, Mrs. Leonard Ford.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Walton of Kennett are visiting the former's mother, Mrs. Lucy Walton, this week.

Mrs. J. O. Huffstader and daughter, Mildred and Miss Mildred Ellis of Cape Girardeau visited at the G. D. Harris home Wednesday.

Miss Irene McAllister of St. Louis is spending the Xmas holidays with Mrs. Frank Butler.

Mr. and Mrs. Barney Jones and daughter of Sikeston visited Mrs. Cynthia Cummins Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Cummins accompanied them home for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Graves of Sikeston visited the former's sister, Mrs. Walker May and family, over the week-end.

Mrs. J. A. Foster has been on the sick list the past few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Darter spent Xmas with the former's parents in Arkansas.

Miss Mary Alma Harris was a guest of Miss Mildred Huffstader at Cape Girardeau Monday and Tuesday.

Misses Helen Holman and Helen Morr of Portageville visited at the G. D. Harris home, Sunday.

Mrs. H. F. Emerson and daughter, Miss Janie, visited Mac Emerson at St. Francis Hospital, Cape Girardeau, Tuesday.

Wayne Bess of Sikeston was a guest at the J. V. Caughlin home Sunday.

A party was given at the M. Brashear home Tuesday night in honor of the birth of their son, Max.

**CHARLESTON KIWANIS CLUB
INSTALL OFFICERS**

On Monday night, January 4, Lieut. Governor E. M. Ruddy of St. Louis installed the following new officers of the Charleston Kiwanis Club, for the year 1932:

A. D. Simpson—President
D. D. Hill—Vice-President
Wert Gwaltney—Trustee

Directors: H. G. Simpson, C. L. Joslyn, Jim Haw, Lee Pemberton, H. D. Ficklin, E. E. Oliver, Paul Hummel and Grinstead Brewer.

At this meeting a special musical program was rendered and the wives of the members were present.

Clab Hancock says he has missed nearly everything else in life except a train.—Commercial Appeal.

W. F. D. BATJER OF CAPE
LOSES \$20,000 SUIT

Bloomfield, January 2.—A jury in Stoddard County Circuit Court here New Year's Day brought in a verdict of \$20,000 against W. F. D. Batjer, secretary of the Cape Girardeau Chamber of Commerce, in favor of Mrs. Sally Morgan of Braggadocio, who was allegedly injured last summer when an automobile in which she was riding collided with Batjer's car at the intersection of the Braggadocio road and Highway 61.

Attorneys Ward and Reeves of Caruthersville announced that an appeal to the Supreme Court of Missouri will be taken. Mrs. Morgan was represented by John H. Bradley of Kennett and Sam Corbett of Caruthersville.

Mrs. Morgan, an elderly woman suffered a crushed hip when her automobile and Batjer's collided, evidence showed. The car was being driven by a daughter of the injured woman and also was occupied by her husband. She claimed in testimony that she was permanently disabled. The suit brought by Mrs. Morgan was for \$30,000.

Testimony in the case began early Thursday and lasted until Friday forenoon. The jury took 30 minutes to reach its verdict. The suit was first filed in Pemiscot County Circuit Court at Caruthersville and brought here on a change of venue.

FRISCO ROAD UNABLE TO PAY
TAXES IN SEVERAL STATES

Springfield, Mo., January 1.—When taxes against the St. Louis-San Francisco Railroad today became delinquent, Arthur M. Curtis, county tax attorney, was notified the railroad was unable to present to pay its taxes due in several states.

Curtis said Frisco officials informed him they hope to pay the taxes within the next two or three months, but need all funds now available to meet interest payments. The railroad will be given several months to pay its taxes in Green County before suits to collect them are instituted, the tax attorney said.

The penalty for delinquent railroad taxes in Missouri is one per cent a month to the governmental agencies, which divide the tax, and a flat two per cent commission to the county collector.

BOOTY SUNK BY NELSON
SOUGHT OFF NIE'S DELTA

Malta, January 2.—Gold pieces worth \$3,000,000 and sacred utensils of inestimable value from St. John's Church in Valetta, the premier church of the Knights of Malta, are to be salvaged from the wreckage of the French flagship L'Orient, sunk by Nelson in the battle of the Nile in 1798.

The treasure was taken by the French when they captured Malta.

The salvaging attempt is to be made by Commander Claude L. A. Wollard, retired, on behalf of Rev. Spencer A. Wollard, whose grandfather was a midshipman in the battle.

Rev. Mr. Wollard, now nearly 90, has full records of the action and details of the treasure.

Washington Hocks has got it all figured out. If the Government will give each person in the United States a thousand dollars in cash and tell them to go out and buy everything they see advertised, the backbone of the depression would be broken in a week.—Commercial Appeal.

THIS WEEK IN MO. HISTORY

Floyd C. Shoemaker

One of the first white men to tap the mineral wealth of Southwest Missouri was Henry Rowe Schoolcraft, who in the winter of 1818-1819, penetrated the virgin lands of the western Missouri Ozarks, and mined lead not far from the present city of Springfield.

It was on January 3, 1819, that Schoolcraft, afterward nationally known as an explorer, Indian authority, and author, set up a small furnace on the banks of the James river and smelted lead. The location of the little shaft which Schoolcraft sank was later to be known as the Phelps Mines in Greene County.

Schoolcraft, however, was not the first man to discover the lead wealth of southwest Missouri. He himself found evidence of mining by the Indians, and legends were long told that DeSoto and Dutins had once mined lead in the region. It was left to Schoolcraft, however, to call the general attention of the world, in published works to the existence of lead and zinc in the southwest regions.

Although Schoolcraft visited the western Ozarks in winter, and experienced freezing weather and snow on his trip, he was charmed with what he saw of the country near where Springfield, the 'Queen City of the Ozarks', now stands.

"The country is one that must be valuable hereafter for its fertility and resources," he wrote. "The prairies which extend west of the James river are the most extensive, rich, and beautiful, of any which I have yet seen west of the Mississippi. They are covered with a most vigorous growth of grass. The deer and elk abound in this quarter and the buffalo is yet occasionally seen".

It is evident that Schoolcraft on this tour of the Ozarks, did not reach the great lead and zinc districts in what is now Jasper County. His explorations, however, brought attention to the lead and zinc deposits that would years later rank Missouri among the leading producers of those minerals in the world. It is important to note that Schoolcraft found zinc as early as 1819 in southwest Missouri, but the existence of zinc was not generally realized until nearly fifty years later. So important did zinc mining become in the Ozarks, that in 1899, the Missouri-Kansas district produced over three-fourths of the zinc mined in the United States.

Henry Rowe Schoolcraft was a native of New York, but his life's work is identified with the pioneering period of the Middle West, and although his books are seldom read today, they have inspired several prominent authors, principally the poet, Longfellow. Schoolcraft's main bid for fame in literature is his work in preserving Indian myths and lyrics.

Schoolcraft was born in Albany County, New York, on March 28, 1793. He attended Union College, where he studied chemistry and mineralogy. Among his first explorations were those in Missouri and Arkansas, during which he visited the mineral district of Southwestern Missouri. His best known works on Missouri subjects are: 'A View of the Lead Mines of Missouri', and 'Scenes and Adventures in the Semi-Alpine Region of the Ozark Mountains'.

Schoolcraft was geologist under General Lewis Cass' expedition to the Upper Mississippi and Lake Superior regions in 1820, and in 1822 he became an Indian agent in Michigan. He was married to Jane D. Johnston, granddaughter of an Indian chief and a daughter of an Indian trader. From his wife, Schoolcraft obtained much

of the Indian lore about which he wrote.

From 1828 to 1832, Schoolcraft was a member of the Michigan legislature and in the latter year discovered the real source of the Mississippi river. Among his published works are six volumes on 'The Indian Tribes of the United States'. He also wrote some verse of no particular merit. Schoolcraft died at Washington, D. C., on December 10, 1864.

With the average age of business and professional women between 20 and 25 years in California, many employers consider women too old at 25 to learn new jobs.

Miss Betty Dean Read, of New Mexico, is one of the few women in the United States working as a civil engineer. She is working on the laying out of a power dam on the Rancho Rea Grant, in New Mexico.

In Oklahoma more than one town sprang up in a day. Thomas City is said to have come into being in a single afternoon. Within a few hours 3000 persons were comfortably settled and business was set in motion, a newspaper printed and circulated, and a big birthday celebration held the following day.

Mrs. Henry Alvah Strong, of Rochester, N. Y., was recently made a knight of the French Legion of Honor. This decoration was bestowed because of her benefaction for the Gueules Classes, the Union of Face Wounded of France, for whom she purchased a sixteenth century castle at Moussy-Le-Vieux.

In the Patent Office there is record of a queer patent taken out by a man who was evidently afraid of being buried alive. This was a tower to be erected on the top of the coffin after it had been placed in the grave. The top of the coffin would fly open on the pressure of a spring within. If a man who had been buried alive came to life under one of these patent arrangements, he had only to push the spring, open the coffin, ascend the ladder inside the tower, and thus reach the open air once more.

PATRON "BURNS ALIVE"
WHILE AT PICTURE SHOW

The fact that cloth was burning in the Malone theatre during one matinee performance during the holidays was sufficient cause for a frantic search. Under the floor, back stage, projection room, auditorium—everywhere searched manager Pete Medley and a corps of assistants.

The smell of burning cloth continued to assail nostrils.

Finally a woman called frantically for help. "That man in front of me is burning alive and doesn't know it". Show employees discovered a cigarette snipe burning in the cuff of Marshall Cox's trousers.

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Last Minute Luncheon Ideas
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Director, Heinz Food Institute

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Deviled Rarebit: Two tablespoons butter; 2 tablespoons flour; 1 medium can Cream of Celery Soup; 1 5 oz. can deviled ham; 2 hard cooked eggs; buttered croutons or crisp crackers. Melt butter, add flour, and when blended, add soup and ham. Cook until soup thickens slightly; add diced hard cooked eggs and serve on croutons or crackers. Garnish with slices of Spanish Manzanilla Olives or parsley.

Winter Supper Salad: One medium size can Oven Baked Kidney Beans; 1 cup very finely diced carrots; 3 tablespoons India or Fresh Cucumber Relish; 1 tablespoon finely chopped onion; 1/4 cup Mayonnaise Salad Dressing. Place beans in strainer and run cold water over them. Drain. Add carrots, pickle relish, onion and mayonnaise salad dressing. Toss lightly together and chill. Serve a generous mound of the salad in a cup of crisp lettuce and garnish with

a sprig of parsley. Serve for luncheon or supper with hot soup, whole wheat bread or rolls and a beverage. Serves 5.

Quick Supper Stew: One can Oven Baked Beans (Boston style); 1 can tomatoes; 1 cup canned corn; 1 large potato, finely diced; 1 medium size onion, finely diced; 2 tablespoons butter; 1 tablespoon sugar; 1 teaspoon salt; 1/4 teaspoon pepper. Mix ingredients and cook slowly until potatoes are tender, stirring occasionally to prevent sticking. Serve hot. Served with a crisp, green salad, dessert and a beverage, this dish furnishes a delicious well balanced supper or luncheon. Serves 8.

Mexican Spaghetti: Two slices cold boiled ham; 1 medium size green pepper; 1 medium size onion; 1 medium can Spaghetti; pepper. Brown chopped ham, green pepper and onion in ham fat or butter. Add Spaghetti and cook 20 minutes. Good for luncheon or late supper. Serves 6.

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Aid for the railroads of the land is asked, and perhaps should be given. One wonders, however, who, in the last analysis, is to do all the aiding that seems necessary, and how the aider is to get the coin required. King Midas could turn anything into gold, by the mere touch of the hand. Solomon could fall back on the gold of Ophir. The old Spanish kings could replenish their coffers from without the bounds of the country by sending a few ships to crook the Incas Peru. At the present day, there are no stores of wealth to be had for the taking. The tax payer is the gold mine; but mines are notoriously prone to play out. Wholesale aid sooner or later will face the blunt proverb that one cannot get blood out of a turnip.

Our earliest recollection of a Christmas dinner was the grouping of the grandchildren about the doors leading into the dining room, looking hungrily at their elders while they waited, not patiently, for room at the big table. Progress, the war, or may-

Inexpensive Spaghetti Dinners Help to Vary the Week's Menu



By JOSEPHINE GIBSON
Director, Heinz Food Institute

SPAGHETTI dinners never fail to please and offer a splendid means of varying the week's menus. Delicious Cooked Spaghetti in a flavorful Sauce may be served as it comes from the can or may be combined with meat in numerous appetizing, quicktime main dishes for economical dinner menus. At the end of a busy afternoon of shopping, or club or committee meetings, you will welcome the spaghetti dinners suggested below, as any of them may be prepared, with the exception of dessert, in about half an hour. Desserts may be made ready in the morning, or ice cream or other quicktime desserts can be substituted. Serve these nourishing, easily prepared, economical spaghetti dinners and note the enthusiasm of every member of the family!

Cooked Spaghetti in Tomato Sauce	Fried Apple Rings
Buttered Asparagus on Toast	Grape Jelly
Bran Muffins	Coffee
Individual Caramel Custards	
Casserole of Meat and Spaghetti*	Buttered Cauliflower or Cabbage
Mixed Fruit or Head Lettuce Salad	
Hot Biscuit	Pure Apple Butter
Cocacnut Cream Pie	Coffee
Cooked Spaghetti in Tomato Sauce	Small Hamburg Patties
Apple, Celery and Nut Salad	
Rolls	Butter
Cherry Cobbler	Coffee
Top Milk	

*Indicates recipe is given below

Casserole of Meat and Spaghetti—1 tablespoon butter or bacon fat; 1 medium size onion; 1 pound ground beef; ½ teaspoon salt; dash of pepper; 1 medium can Cooked Spaghetti; ½ cup crumbled and buttered Rice Flakes. Cook minced onion in skillet with fat until very slightly brown, add meat and cook, stirring frequently, for a

few minutes until meat is slightly brown. Season with salt and pepper. In a buttered casserole or baking dish, place a layer of the meat, add a layer of Spaghetti, then repeat using a second layer of each. Add ½ cup cold water. Sprinkle over top with buttered Rice Flakes and bake in moderate oven twenty minutes.

type of entertainment accounts for the growing disfavor in the radio. People who did not discard their Victrolas are about the only ones who can have real music when they are in the mood for it. A solution of this radio problem would be for the Government to take over the job of broadcasting, as is done in several European countries, giving certain hours to good music, other hours to jazz, still other hours to dramatics, advertising, etc. Thus, all classes of people would know when and where to get the sort of program they preferred. Those who make up the programs in this country remind us of a host who gives his guests nothing but pignuckles and kraut, although he knows most of them are starving for something else.—Paris Appeal.

The Standard this issue is carrying an unusual amount of reading matter and a minimum of advertising. This is to be expected after the holiday rush and it is cheaper and more convenient to issue an 8-page paper than a 6 page.

In your sober moments do you think of how fortunate we are in this section to have plenty to eat, a reasonable amount of warm clothes, and fuel near by. In the cities thousands of men are out of work with families cold and hungry. Don't let yourself slip and complain of your lot, be a sport, smile and look pleasant, then your acquaintances will be more glad to meet you.

The Standard publisher and force have never yet attempted to deceive the public with its publicity stunts. Whenever The Standard prints its circulation, that is just what it is. When it runs an advertisement in a trade journal it prints facts and makes no attempt to deceive foreign advertisers.

Joseph Spielvogel lives in Newark, New Jersey, nothing is known about him, aside from the fact that he took his pen in hand, expressed his feelings, sent his letter to a New York paper, and it was published. He came from the shadow and will vanish into the mist. He deserves a better fate, for his letter contains a bit of sound counsel regarding debt cancellation, stated in plain English: "Make Europe knuckle down and live within its means".

There is one advantage which 1932 will have over 1931 that will help out considerably, and that is a crop of candidates and the thrill of a political campaign. Candidates are just naturally an optimistic bunch, and they will inspire encouragement in others. A fellow who in off years, politically speaking, is more or less glum and discouraged about a lot of things is a different sort when he becomes a candidate, and will radiate good cheer wherever he goes. And that will help. Then the interest in the campaign will tend to take lots of folks' attention off discouraging conditions and fire them with optimistic ideas of the success of their political friends. On with the campaign. —Doniphan Prospect-News.

Every firm employing help should go slow about laying off employees because of a quiet spell just after the holidays. Skimp along some way and keep the force together.

Go a bit slow in criticizing banks and bankers. They are sweating blood to hold their own and keep going just like the rest of us. Few banks have made overhead expenses in many months because they cannot lend money in their vaults for lack of sound security. To pay interest on time deposits and not being able to loan it to advantage is a pretty hard problem.

The holiday adjournment of Congress necessarily has curtailed a report on the proceedings of that body. Senator Walsh has introduced a resolution calling for an investigation of the causes of the depression and the relation of the collapse of prices on the stock exchange. It is proposed

to place a portion of the grain reserve at the command of the President, for relief purposes. The Senate ratified Mr. Hoover's year of grace for the payment of World War indebtedness, by a vote approximating six to one. The House has already taken a similar action, on the ratio of about three to one. In the House, legislation is proposed whereby things may be made hotter for alien bootleggers. Reduction of the pay of Federal employees is up, with good speaking talent on both sides. A Representative has it in mind to place interstate traffic by means of busses under the control of the Interstate Commerce Commission. Independence for the Philippine Islands is brought to the front in a speech by the Resident Commissioner.

Wonder if an organization to meet once a week to read the Bible and sing songs would have the drawing power of a bridge party!

Culbertson and Lanz have about gotten abductions and murders backed off the front pages of the metropolitan press.

A negro living in the Mount Pleasant neighborhood of South Carolina is turning white. White blotches first appeared on his hands, grew larger and spread to other parts of his body. Doctors attribute it to lack of pigment in the skin. Twenty-five years ago a negro in Southwest Georgia turned white in similar manner. When the transformation was completed, however, the negro died, death being due to the fact that his system had been robbed of some vital element.

Senator Pat Harrison says Chairman Fess has a big job on his hands trying to sell Hoover to the country, in fact he doubts if he can give him away.

What we need is more hangings and less penitentiary sentences in dealing with kidnappers and murderers. It is time law-abiding citizens were taking more interest in the swift and certain punishment of such offenders. Once aroused we have abiding faith they will see the job through, but how much more time is it going to take to get them to sense the danger and arise in their might and demand that laws be enforced and swiftly.—Doniphan Prospect-News.

Evening dresses for the ladies are cut in the back as low as the last rib line, which leads us to wonder what would happen if the dear girls would slip the slip on hind part before, or would they care?

Infrequently do we give a pat on the back to one of our advertisers and business associates, but in the case of the Southeast Missouri Telephone Company we feel justified in so doing. The local exchange employees are to be congratulated in boosting Sikeston to the head of the list in Southeast Missouri, in terms of stations gained in the past twelve months. It is a genuine compliment to the entire community to find that more persons installed telephones here, while in other communities, affected by local conditions, pay stations are removed. Very few homes can actually afford to be without phone service. When illness or fire strike, when an emergency arises, when things go wrong with farm machinery, household appliances, with the husband, boy friend, or wife—then telephones answer a genuine need, and add to that the fact that they represent an every-day convenience. Newspapers in our day and time would find the sledding rather rough without telephones, news, advertisements, rush work, complaints, adjustments—all these are every-day functions of telephones—and of those who make possible the brand of service enjoyed by patrons of the Southeast Missouri Company.

Ellick Helwanger says nobody has less patience with a drunk fellow than one who has been that way himself.—Commercial Appeal.

SOME HOT SHOTS FROM THE MILAN STANDARD

All of us like the man who comes right out and says what he thinks—providing he agrees with us.

It is said that women get 65% of the divorces in this country. And they also get 100% of the alimony.

Married couples have fewer arguments in winter than in summer. That is probably because a lot of married men wear earmuffs in winter.

Every day is a good day for motorists to remember that no matter how much they may improve the auto they can't put horse-sense in one of them.

It doesn't take very much of a car at that to last some drives a lifetime.

The trouble with the average man seems to be that he seldom increases his average.

A new airplane is being equipped with a kitchen. We suppose then the cook, when he wants to turn a pancake, will merely signal the pilot to loop-the-loop.

The only males who are boss of their own households are those under three years of age.

What has become of the old-fashioned boy who used to want to work in a bank because he thought there was money in it?

The wife of an aviator is the only woman who is glad to see her husband down and out.

Maybe the reason so few milk men are married is because they see so many women before they've had time to put their makeup on.

Two heads may be better than one to the barber, too, if both of them need a hair cut.

Nearly all men are satisfied to fight for what they want, but most women prefer to attend a bargain sale.

An expert says a bee has from 4900 to 13,000 eyes. Then why does it so often sit down in the wrong place?

An apple a day keeps the doctor away but it's best to use rotten tomatoes on bill collectors.

As a general thing, when a man gets used to a five-cent cigar he enjoys having a ten-center given to him.

If they can put airbrakes on railroad cars and streets cars, why isn't it worth while to hope that some day they'll invent one to go on Congressmen.

Sap Spradlen, who always tries to look his best, today bought himself a suit of nice new underwear.—Cape Missourian.

It has been suggested that if the ancient libraries of Central Asia were ransacked and diligently gone over we should find accounts of voyages or migrations from China to the New World dating hundreds and perhaps thousands of years ago.

There was a time when correctness in printing was held in higher estimation than even today. The Elzevirs (a famous family of Dutch printers of the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries), it is said, affixed their proof-sheets to the doors of the universities and offered a high premium for the discovery of an error, however trifling.

According to the 1930 census of the United States there were 10,778,794 women employed, of whom 3,149,391 were in domestic and personal service; 1,762,795 in professional service; 3249 in forestry and fishing; 913,976 in agricultural; 10,294 in the extraction of minerals; 2,416,288 in manufacturing and mechanical industries; 447,730 in transportation; 1,716,384 in trade; 123,323 in public service not classified, and 235,364 in industry not specified.

"Cripple Jack" Smith, South Fifth Street restaurant owner and police character, engaged in an altercation with a stranger near Fifth Street and Park avenue about 9:30 Christmas night. During the course of the argument the stranger whipped out a knife, made a swipe at Jack and succeeded in completely severing his left ear. The stranger fled and Smith was taken to the Poplar Bluff hospital, where his injury was dressed. —Poplar Bluff Republican.

ABANDONMENT OF RECLAIMED LAND TO GAME PRESERVE URGED BY SETH GORDON

Writing in the January Field and Stream Magazine, Seth Gordon, president of the American Game Protective Association, points out that three of the 22 former outstanding waterfowl breeding and feeding areas in America which now are drained were located in Missouri. Mr. Gordon in his article, "Bucks or Debates", states that the drainage of these water areas is an important factor in the decreasing waterfowl supply.

The three principal Missouri areas which were drained include Little River, 40,000 acres; Mingo Swamp, 25,000 acres; and Squaw Creek Bottoms, 31,000 acres. Operating drainage enterprises in Missouri at this compromise more than 3,450,866 acres. This includes 5558 miles of open ditches, 940 miles of levees and dikes and 123 miles of tile trains as of 1929 figures. Only 2,246,350 acres in these drainage areas are being cultivated.

Waterfowl formerly bred and fed in great numbers in many sections of the State before these areas were drained.

According to Mr. Gordon approximately 65 per cent of the reclaimed lands in the United States has been abandoned and is not now being used.

There are many advocates of game restoration who believe that all these unused lands in Missouri should be again restored to their original state and used as migratory water-

fowl refuges. In an effort to learn the exact number of acres of Missouri water area which have been drained in recent years, the State game and fish department utilized the U. S. Department of Commerce census figures quoted, in part, above.

HOSPITAL NEWS

Mrs. C. J. May of near Sikeston entered the Emergency Hospital Saturday night and underwent a major operation Sunday morning. She is getting along nicely.

O. M. Headlee was dismissed Friday.

Jim Robinson has been released and is at the Ed Albright home.

Mrs. Burford Baber returned to her home Sunday.

Washington Hocks says the children of this age are awful spoilt about gifts, as he used to be satisfied at Christmas time with a candy apple to eat and a door-knob to play with.—Commercial Appeal.

Captain George Fried, one of the best known merchant marine officers in the world, will command the new S. S. Manhattan of the United States Lines. This vessel, the largest merchant ship ever built in this country, was launched December 5th.

The Tourist Class accommodations on the new Manhattan, largest ship ever built in America, will surpass anything that has hitherto been known. Luxuries, up to this time unheard of on many Cabin liners, have been made the keynote of the new Manhattan.

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Job Department

We believe Mr. Wilson, in view of the favors showered upon him by his party to positions of honor and financial remuneration, is wrong in again attempting to force himself upon his party. The Democrats need a young aggressive candidate who will carry the fight into the camps of the enemy, and who after the completion of a brilliant term as Governor, may yet be in the vim and vigor of life and capable of leading and directing the party for years in the future.

Jackson Cash-Book.

Mrs. Elmyra Bynum of Morley and grandson, Muriel Wolpers of Poplar Bluff were guests of honor at a surprise birthday dinner, given at the home of Mrs. Ella Evans of this city. Other guests were Mrs. Luta Evans of Morley, Walter Yokeley of Vandalia, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Wolpers and children of Poplar Bluff, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Evans and Miss Grace Evans of Poplar Bluff, Mrs. Lillian Minner and children and Miss Eunice Probst of McMullin, Mrs. Amy Moyer of Eolia, Gayle, Don and Paul Evans of Sikeston.

Waycross, Ga.—Cecil Brown, a newsboy here, recently demonstrated an ability to do much with little which would arouse envy in any ambitious financier. Cecil, with other boys, was at the office of the Journal-Herald the afternoon newspaper of Waycross. He had five cents, his sole capital, and put it to work with astonishing results. Here is the story, according to Cecil:

"There were four of us boys, and I owed one of 'em a dime. I paid him a nickel on account. He paid another boy a nickel he owed him, and that one paid the fourth boy. This last boy happened to owe me five cents, and he paid me. That gave me my nickel back. So I handed it to the boy to whom I had owed the dime, so that when he got the five-cent piece a second time he was paid in full. One nickel got all four of us out of debt!"

Waycross financiers and economists are considering taking Cecil on a tour of South Georgia to show people what can be done if somebody will spend some money and start the pay-on ball rolling.

HEART TROUBLE CLAIMS J. R. KYLE LAST THURSDAY

We don't know how such unfirmed talk gets started.

Plenty of panning has been handed out by eyeballers and others at the last dance. Some of it is probably justifiable on some score or other, but we would pay little attention to any of that. If we conduct dances for the public, we would expect some unfavorable criticism, together with a small amount of the best constructive opinion. However, it is best to let sleeping dogs lie, and to everyone, say nothing, and continue to extend a welcome to

It has been said of Gladstone, when he was chancellor of the exchequer, that he could envelop prosaic facts and figures in such a mist of romance as to carry his listeners along with the sheer fascination of the story.

Members of a Cape Girardeau orchestra had their manager arrested in Sikeston because he collected tips for the music and left the hall when the dance was over. The police dismissed the case the next morning at the cost of the complainant, after paying the costs and a fine for malicious prosecution, the orchestra had \$2.10 left of the dance profits.—Cape News.

**MRS. BESSIE T. RUSSELL
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Dr. and Mrs. C. T. Old and Shad, have returned from Memphis, Tenn., where they spent the Christmas holidays with the former brother, Fred Old and family. They are sorry to report that their son, Shad, is ill with scarlet fever.

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MID-YEAR PRIMAY TO BEGIN JAN. 18

Miss Thelma Kirby left Saturday morning to rejoin her mother in Moline, Ill., after spending the past three weeks here visiting her father, Walter Kirby and other relatives.

TEACHER'S FATHER DIES UNEXPECTEDLY

Miss Carolyn Hess has returned from Nashville, Tenn., where she attended a meeting pertaining to her work.

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Anyone wishing to find a way to serve humanity and provide an outlet for his inventive genius, can take a hint from a recently published article by the Chief of the Bureau of Weed Control of the State of California. That official says that there is much to be learned about our weeds, as well as about the best way to kill them. Experimenters, whether living in California or elsewhere, will not have to go far from home, or make a cash outlay, in order to obtain material upon which to test their theories.

Political canned stuff now being printed in Republican papers about Hoover's achievements fail to mention the fact that he and his administration has gotten the country in a heck of a fix.

Dr. W. G. Patton of St. Louis has decided he wouldn't run for Governor of Missouri on the Democratic ticket and advises his friends to support Francis M. Wilson of Platte County and Kansas City for the office. That is all right, too, but a man claiming to be a Southeast Missourian to go back on such a splendid man as Russell Dearmont, looks strange. However, we believe it will not hurt Dearmont and will kill Patton politically, which will be all right.

The editor of this paper is proud of the friendship of the small boys and girls who call on us in droves to get scraps of paper left from off size jobs. These little fellows have never molested a thing in the shop and are welcome at all times to any part of the office.

Chickie Jewell, Toots Nall, Grady Davis and Dick Hopper are all spoken of as prospective candidates for constable of Richland Township on the Democratic ticket at the coming election. It will cost but \$5 per shot in advance for township officers and we are willing for a hundred to get into the race.

It is said that the brassiere-bathing-suit made up of a brassiere and trunks with about six inches intervening between the two mentioned bits of garments, is making a strong bid for popularity and will probably be seen on bathing beaches next year. You will bet it will be popular, especially with the male-hanger-ons around the beach.

We have neither the light touch of a pickpocket nor the sledge hammer blows of the prize fighter, but sometimes get the goods that we go after.

It is pretty hard to dream pipe dreams without a pipe or a pint.

Read All Of This Or None

It is a gloomy moment in history. Not for many years—not in the lifetime of most men who read this paper—has there been so much grave and deep apprehension; never has the future seemed so incalculable as at this time. In our own country there is universal commercial prostration and panic, and thousands of our poorer fellow citizens are turned out against the approaching winter without employment, and without the prospect of it.

In France, the political caldron seethes and bubbles with uncertainty; Russia hangs, as usual, like a cloud, dark and silent upon the horizon of Europe; while all the energies, resources and influences of the British Empire are sorely tried, and are yet to be tried more sorely, in coping with the vast and deadly Indian insurrection, and with its disturbed relations in China.

It is a solemn moment, and no man can feel an indifference (which, hap-

Now comes the remarkable fact. What you have just read was not written yesterday, about the condition of today—but is a certain reprint of an editorial which appeared in Harper's Weekly on October 10, 1857.

July of that year was normal. September marked the beginning of depression. This editorial appeared in October. Seventeen months later, in March of 1859, business was back at normal again.

"Of our own troubles no man can see the end". They said it in 1857, and it has been said many times, before and since. Depressions have occurred in American business since the Revolutionary War and every one has looked black, and seemed unending. Every one has been followed by recovery—and prosperity.

A good many people that we know who are complaining of hard times and pressing debts would be a long sight better off if they would cut out some of their moonshine, do less jay-riding, and in that way have a dollar now and then to pay on their account. It is certainly aggravating to see a man driving around in a car, drinking and sporting who owes you a few dollars, then have him tell you he can pay nothing on account. These fellows should be put on the dead beat list.

Now comes the announcement of Dr. Wm. G. Patton that he will not make the race for Governor next year. He withdraws in favor of Francis M. Wilson of Kansas City. When Dr. Patton sent out his interviews to the newspapers of the State several months ago this paper did not take it seriously for he had run in a couple of campaigns—before they started—therefore. We only gave a short notice to it. The Dr. will never be Governor of Missouri, is our prediction. He has announced and pulled off too often. Dr. Patton formerly resided in Charleston.—Charleston Courier.

A World War veteran of St. Louis was found in his car shot. A Skeston man was found half shot in his car. The former was dead. The latter recovered.

A young Miss, not broader than your hand, tripped down the street in front of The Standard office Friday dressed very sparsely and seemed as warm as toast, while the editor had on long ones and chilled to the bone when the wind hit him. One young man full of pep, the other old and full of pizen.

The delicate perfume on the ladies, whiskey on the breath of some, and aroma of the negro orchestra in action leaves a lasting impression on one's mind who attended the dance.

The country newspapers over the State which are controlled by Chas. U. Becker, are attempting to create the impression that Francis M. Wilson is the logical man for the Democrats to nominate for governor. Becker thinks that he has a cinch on the Republican nomination and, naturally, he has unusual interest in the Democratic primary. He knows that he has a chance to defeat Wilson, but no chance to defeat Russell Dearmont who, if nominated, will make an aggressive campaign in every nook and corner of the State, and will not rely on party leaders to induct him into office.—Jackson Cash-Book.

pily, no man pretends to feel) in the issue of events.

Of our troubles no man can see the end. They are, fortunately, as yet mainly commercial; and if we are only to lose money, and by painful poverty to be taught wisdom—the wisdom of honor, of faith, of sympathy and of charity—no man need seriously to despair. And yet the very haste to be rich, which is the occasion of this widespread calamity, has also tended to destroy the moral forces with which we are to resist and subdue the calamity.

Good friends—let our conduct prove that the call comes to men who have large hearts, however narrowed their homes may be; who have nothing but manhood, strong in its faith in God, to rely upon; and who ever shows himself truly a God-fearing man now, by helping wherever and however he can, will be as blessed and beloved as a great light in darkness.

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AS I SEE IT

By I'm About Town

HAPPY NEW YEAR.

According to a medical journal one can now buy a complete human skeleton for 90 "bones", "fully articulated", whatever that means. A nice, clean spine, all fixed up sets one back \$18 while a skull calls for 24 fish.

These figures raise the ante on some folks, who formerly were "not a tinker's D—" to take the view of their neighbors, in-laws, etc.

It also proves conclusively that two heads are better than one—the difference is \$24.00—that "spineless" folks can be purchased for 72 fins, and that the Headless Horseman is worth only \$66.

One could make many observations about skeletons and spines. For instance the spine. You sit on one end of it and your head on the other.

The highway patrolman who lost his gun to a couple city slickers Friday, is planning on installing a zipper and lock on the holster.

DEMOCRATIC TARIFF
TO HAVE RIGHT OF WAY

Washington, January 1.—A Democratic tariff measure is to be given legislative right of way in the House next week with a "tax increase" bill to come up as soon thereafter as possible.

Determined to expedite House action on these and other economic measures, Democratic leaders plan to submit the tariff proposal to the joint Senate-House Policy Committee on Monday.

The advisory group is expected to approve the proposal drafted during the Christmas holidays by Speaker Garner, Senator Harrison of Mississippi, ranking Democrat on the Senate Finance Committee, Representative Rainey of Illinois, Democratic House Leader, and Chairman Collier of the House Ways and Means Committee.

With approval, Chairman Collier will introduce the bill and immediately call his committee together to consider the measure. Hearings are not expected to occupy much time in view of the fact that the rate schedules are not to be opened.

Although no formal announcement of the plans were made, Garner conceded today that the tariff "might possibly" be considered by the House before the Ways and Means Committee completes the tax hearings.

Later both Rainey and Collier affirmed the plan to put the tariff measure ahead of the tax bill. They indicated that if the Ways and Means Committee reported the tariff bill early next week it could be brought up for consideration almost immediately.

The proposal is designed to provide for reciprocal tariff arrangements with foreign nations and would direct the Tariff Commission to recommend changes in duties to Congress instead of to the President as is provided under the existing law. It is understood that an international conference in tariffs might be proposed in the measure.

No general revision of rates is contemplated. The Democratic leaders previously have declared that under the present political situation with a Republican President, it would be futile to undertake such a measure in view of a certain veto.

Chairman Collier expressed the hope that all measures of importance such as tariff and taxes would have adequate hearings, but added that the nature of the new tariff proposal would not call for extensive sessions. At the same time, he announced that hearings on the tax bill probably would open before the Ways and Means Committee next Thursday. Collier explained that the Democrats hoped to lay the House bill before the Senate early in February.

One of the student nurses at Johns Hopkins Hospital, in Baltimore, is Baroness Marie Dorothea Eugenia Frelin von Kleist, of Germany.

FIVE DIE AFTER
DRINKING PARTY
IN FREIGHT CAR

Springfield, Ill.—A total of five men were dead here today as the result of a "drinking party" in an empty box car here Tuesday night. A sixth man is seriously ill in the hospital.

The fifth victim of poison liquor drank at the "party" was Mike Linch, of East St. Louis. One of the men died earlier today, and the other three were found dead along the railroad track yesterday.

About twelve men participated in the drinking, survivors said. Coroner Dye said that the men who died had been drinking wood alcohol.

DANIELS URGES PARTY
TO PICK A LIBERAL

New York, December 29.—A 1932 presidential candidate, who embodies liberal and progressive views and has "no vestige of standpatism or pink Republicanism" was urged upon the Democratic party today by Josephus Daniels.

"For," said the Secretary of the Navy in the Wilson administration, "the situation next year will be not unlike that of 1912. Now, as then, the people are going to elect a President who embodies liberal and progressive views."

"If, in 1912, the Democrats had nominated what is called a conservative—a misnomer for a reactionary—Roosevelt would have won. But the Democrats picked Wilson, a great progressive, and they won."

"No one who is known as a 'stand-patter', or who acquiesces in 'standpatism', can win in 1932. Nor can we win with a 'pink Republican', which is another name for reactionary Democrat."

"The people are on the march; they see conditions are bad; they demand a change. The party in power, by allowing 6,000,000 men to go without jobs, has, in the words of the Scriptures, been weighed and found wanting."

Camden, N. J., December 5.—The largest merchant ship ever built in America was launched here today in the presence of thousands of merchant marine enthusiasts who cheered the huge vessel which is a nation's bid for a stronger position on the high sea.

The launching of the new Manhattan for the United States Lines at the yard of the New York Shipbuilding Company in a day less than a year from the keel laying is conceded to be the most important event in American merchant marine history since the war.

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MUSICIAN TRIES TO END
LIFE BY FREEZING, BUT
ONLY GETS FROSTBITTEN

Denver.—Fred Gustafson, 25, attempted to commit suicide by freezing, but only got frost-bitten.

When found by motorists, he had taken off nearly all his clothing and stood at the side of a highway. He had become numb and his face, hands and feet were frost-bitten.

Gustafson told Morgan County officials that he was a musician and had left Denver for Sterling, Colo. He said that he became discouraged when he was denied shelter at a farmhouse and felt he was freezing to death. He said that he had decided to hasten the process.

This magnificent new liner with her raked stem, like her sister ship which will be launched early next year, can carry 1300 passengers.

Space allotted to engine rooms has been reduced more than 50 per cent from that required on a liner built five years ago. This is a great factor in successful operation, as it means efficiency in technical personnel and more space for cargo. Three large oil burning drum boilers generate the steam for the twin-screw, Parsons type triple service turbines, which will drive the vessel at a normal speed of 20 knots.

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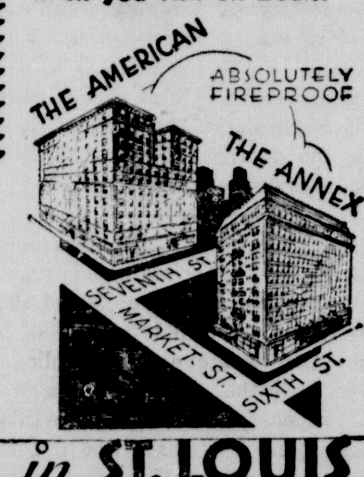
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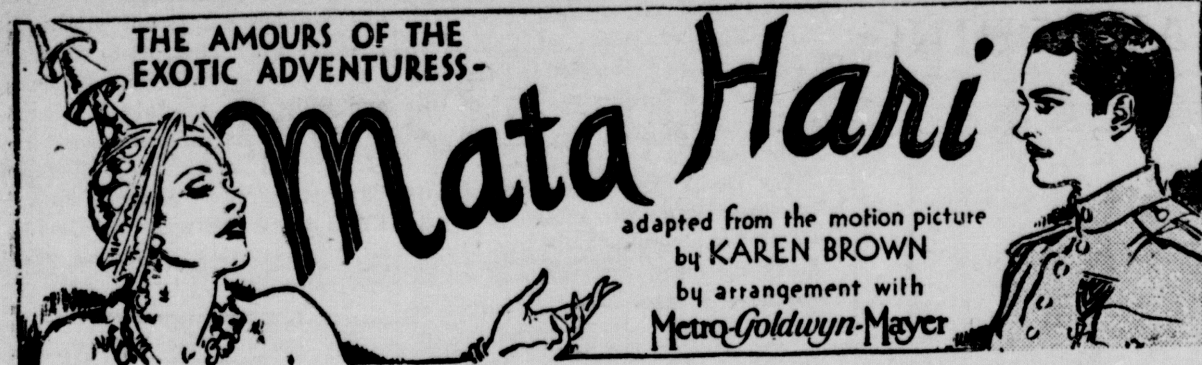
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Chapter I

THE DANCE TO KALI

Alexander Rosanoff, in the private service of the czar, and Colonel Shubin, ranking Attaché of the Russian Embassy, left their car in the courtyard of a building on one of the most ancient and most aristocratic boulevards of the left bank of the Seine. The hour was ten o'clock of an evening, in wartime, an evening lighted only by the dim twinkling of a few far-off stars and the headlights which shot two streams of white mist into the darkness. The shadows of the leaves of a tree stirred in this mist for a moment, the bulk of the house showed white as a skeleton. There was not a sound, not a glimmer from within.

The younger man, Rosanoff, not expecting the headlights to be switched off, was blinded for an instant and made an instinctive movement to reach the support of the wall.

Shubin's voice came to him in low, exasperated sounds.

"Don't make a racket! They'll come soon. Do you know that it is very indiscreet of us to be seen at this entertainment in wartime?"



The Dance to Kali.

Which made Rosanoff laugh. For he felt that it was all too perfect. To have seen the dancer, whose fame had travelled from the European capitals to the barracks and hundreds of miles inland to Moscow and St. Petersburg, to have seen her in the ordinary way, on a stage in a glare of lights, to have come there with chattering people from a good dinner in a smart restaurant, would have been almost an anticlimax. The blackness, the silence, Shubin's reluctance, made far more fitting preliminaries. How these civilians enjoyed their spice of danger! Even Shubin, a matter-of-fact, agreeable man back home had grown tense and mysterious in Paris. But Rosanoff had arrived only that afternoon from the front and he knew and remembered that danger was prosaic.

Danger was a routine such as he had recently followed. It meant getting up before dawn, testing the engine, then flying over levels, over thin rivers, over war-torn fields, over cities, too, so high up that he could not see even a church-spire—flying tranquilly, almost going to sleep at the stick, yet always knowing that in a second he and the ship might be only two falling streaks welded together, perhaps, in flame. It meant delivering the documents in an inexplicable breeze. They billowed first about the head, then the neck, then opened slowly to reveal the body of Mata Hari. She was moving toward an altar which the curtains had hidden. The altar bloomed with light, which, like the wind, had no source, and as she moved, this wind mowed down her veils, drove them back gently against her limbs and breasts.

A surprising thought flashed through Rosanoff's mind. How tall she was! It shocked him to remember that he had spoken of her as a "little dancer." He felt humbled; it was so stupid, so juvenile, to have come prepared for a little dancer. He understood that his eyes had been fastened on her and had been wrenched away. He knew this because he had been seeing nothing but the veils, the whiteness, and now he noticed a towering, ebony object, sleek and shining. The Goddess Kali, with many slim, stony, twining black arms like snakes. After that, he knew his eyes had returned, for he saw the Goddess Kali no further, and he realized that someone was speaking.

It was the dancer. Her voice gave him a further shock, as that he lost the first words while he was thinking that she was tall and her voice was grave. It was low, deep, and without inflections. Every word was as fully rounded as every other word. "... dark goddess of destruction— who rules frenzy, cruelty, ecstasy and sin..."

away too hurriedly. But recumbent by the buffet was an object which caused Rosanoff to halt for a moment, startled. He thought that it was some bizarre ornament in keeping with the strangeness of the house. The object slumped forward like an unusually large and very meagre rag doll. Silver-gray hair, elaborately curled fell over its face.

"What's that?" he exclaimed. "Bah! The old Marquis de Signac." At the same time, Shubin was opening the last door, and caught between his amazement at such decrepitude and his wonder as to what could follow in such a house, Rosanoff lost awareness of the moment of his entry. Shubin hustled him a little.

Then he was sitting on something cushioned which had no back to it, a bench, perhaps, in a faint, moon-steeped light which gave him a suggestion of faces all around but soon went out entirely. Then he heard music which seemed to come from nowhere, not music exactly, but a low, sustained musical wall, rising slightly, then subsiding, rising again, pinned with tiny, tinkling instruments here and there, as if they had been jewels.

The thinness of a veil fluttered from each hand to the floor of the altar.

And it seemed to Rosanoff that what she said was inexorable, the voice was inexorable, the hands that cast aside veil after veil, they were remorseless too.

"I dance for you as the bayaderes danced on the sacred terrace of the Temple Boro-Bodur, where I was born, in Java."

The sustained wall rose again. This time, the blood gathered in Rosanoff's throat, congealed in a hard lump. He was afraid to breathe and felt near white before his eyes. The woman and her swaying and the seductive flesh that she wore more proudly, more boldly with every motion, like a garment, like a dazzling dress of nudity, filled them. Sometimes she moved and there was blackness, his eyes could not follow her, they remained glued to the spot where she had been. She returned where she had been, with luminous white.

She sank before the altar. Rosanoff became aware that there was a golden glow in his eyes. When the dance had ceased or how long it had lasted he could not have told, but in the place where the altar had been, there were again two curtains of heavy Oriental stuff.

Rosanoff put a hand to his forehead. It came away wet, and the chill of the sweat brought him to his senses. There sat Shubin beside him with a face like a lump of tallow. Several men had gathered about a woman who lay on a bench. Rosanoff could just see her open mouth. She had fainted. All the men and all the women looked grotesque to him, and it struck him that perhaps he seemed just as hideous to them after the dance.

But when he glanced again at his companion, Shubin looked as composed as usual. It had been the effect of the sudden lights.

Shubin said, "Now you've seen your little dancer, eh?"

He got up and Rosanoff followed him. He wanted to answer Shubin's irony in kind, and he could not find any casual words. Who is she? What is she? Is she really Dutch, as they say? Was she born in Java, as she says? He was ashamed to ask. He would not have the older man think that he could not discuss a dancer like a meal, with epicurean discrimination and nothing else. He was afraid he would sound too enthusiastic, perhaps even too fervent.

Although the audience had been so tense during the dance, there was shortly a hum of talk. Even the woman who had fainted recovered and explained in a quick, light voice about her "migraine," and the odor of the flowers in her corsage. Rosanoff did not know any of these people, but Shubin bowed now and then.

"You prevailed upon me to come here," Shubin insisted, "against my better judgment and when, as you know, I should be at work. You said you could not leave Paris without seeing Mata Hari dance. Now that you have seen the Circe of Europe—not a word. Are you disappointed?"

They were in the little salon, where the servant was dispensing hats, a group about the door, and one of them remarked, "All the same—in war time—while men die..."

"Oh, well," said another with a tolerant shrug. "Some dance and some die."

"And some will do both."

Shubin turned his head and exchanged bows with the last speaker. The footman opened the door.

It had begun to rain, a soft, mild drizzle, which affected Rosanoff pleasantly. The air felt very fresh, and now that he had seen a little of what the discreet hangings and the heavy walls of this seemingly close-shut city concealed, he was alert for more. The fact that Shubin had unbent released his eagerness.

He heard himself saying, "Do you know Mata Hari?"

He was not answered. Shubin went on to his car in apparent complete forgetfulness of his companion and his former banter. He gave an order to the chauffeur and then spoke almost as curtly to Rosanoff.

"I must go back. You can amuse yourself, I imagine. Report tomorrow night at my house for orders."

The young aviator was left standing, at a loss, but in the next instant relieved. Shubin's brusqueness was no doubt due to the thought of the night's work ahead, decoding the messages Rosanoff had delivered and preparing the new ones. He would not be Shubin right now for the world. The rain fell on him softly, a murmur of voices by the door was enchantingly gay. It made him think of that Paris to which his father had sent him with his tutor not long before the war, a Paris of gentle, rosy sunsets, of flickering, feathery leaves, and the students and their girls, arm in arm, walking along the quays.

On an impulse he beckoned to one of the chauffeurs, not quite wishing to ask but compelled to.

"Can you tell me, which is Mata Hari's car?"

TOMORROW—The Pavlov

MISSOURI'S '31 CROP VALUE SHOWS 22 PCT. DECREASE OVER 1930

Jefferson City, December 31.—Missouri's 1931 crop invoice shows a 22 per cent decrease, as compared with the 1930 valuation. A joint report of the federal-state crop reporting service, released today, places an evaluation of \$171,489,000 on this year's field, orchard, truck and garden crops, compared with a 1930 valuation of \$220,274,000. The area farmed in 1931 was 13,382,760 acres, against 13,232,740 in 1930, an increase of 1.1 per cent.

To the total of \$171,489,000 invoice of farm soil crops there must be added \$255,991,000 as the current invoice of dairy, poultry and other miscellaneous farm products and live stock on the farm, grand totaling \$427,480,000 for 1931, as compared to \$540,577,000 for 1930, a 1931 falling off of 20.9 per cent. These figures are not a report of sales, neither of marketable surplus, but are according to the established State-federal regulations invoicing of all crops, miscellaneous products, live stock and poultry, including amounts sold on hand, stored, used, lost and wasted.

The 1931 season was, for the most part, favorable for yields and quality of most crops, the exceptions being minor production, like buckwheat, cucumbers, flax, potatoes and strawberries. The general fruit crops were the heaviest in years.

Following is the invoice of acreage, average yield, production and values of the Missouri field, orchard, truck and garden crops of the soil, in even thousands of dollars, for the year ending November 31, 1931:

Corn—6,184,000 acres, 27.5 bushels per acre, 170,060,000 bushels at 33 cents, value \$56,120,000.

Cotton lint—350,000 acres, 369 lbs. per acre, 129,150,000 pounds (270,000 bales), at 6 cents per pound, \$7,749,000.

Cotton seed—129,150 tons at \$10.50, \$1,356,075.

Oats—1,865,000 acres, 27 bushels per acre, 50,355,000 bushels at 22c, \$11,078,000.

Tame hay; Alfalfa hay—150,000 acres, 2.05 tons per acre, 308,000 tons, \$9.90 per ton, \$3,049,200. Clover and timothy—1,922,000 acres, .90 ton per acre, 1,730,000 tons at \$6.80, \$11,764,000. Cowpeas—59,000 acres, 1.05 tons per acre, 61,950 tons at \$6.70, \$415,065. Grain hay—147,000 acres, .85 ton per acre, 125,000 tons at \$5, \$625,000. Soybeans—295,000 acres, 1.15 tons per acre, 339,250 tons at \$6.70, \$2,272,975. Sweet clover—19,000 acres, 1.25 tons per acre, 27,000 tons at \$6, \$162,000. Sweet sorghum forage—94,000 acres, 1.80 tons per acre, 169,000 tons at \$4.60, \$777,000. Other tame hay—195,000 acres, 1 ton per acre, 195,000 tons at \$5, \$975,000.

Winter Wheat—1,490,000 acres, 20 bushels per acre; 29,800,000 bushels at 45 cents, \$13,410,000.

Alfalfa Seed—1000 acres, 1.5 bushels per acre, 1500 bushels at \$7, \$10,500.

Apples, Farm Crop—5,750,000 bushels at 55 cents, \$3,162,500.

Apples, Commercial—750,000 barrels at \$1.60, \$1,200,000.

Barley—23,000 acres, 24 bushels per acre; 552,000 bushels at 37 cents, \$204,000.

Broomcorn—1000 acres, 320 pounds per acre; 320 tons at \$60, \$192,000.

Buckwheat—1000 acres, 10 bushels per acre; 10,000 bushels at 40 cents, \$4,000.

Cabbage—1000 acres, 7 tons per acre; 7000 tons at \$15, \$105,000.

Clover Seed—50,000 acres, 1.2 bushels per acre; 60,000 bushels at \$8.50, \$510,000.

Cowpeas Seed—18,000 acres, 11.5 bushels per acre; 207,000 bushels at 95 cents, \$197,000.

Cucumbers—1620 acres, 21 bushels per acre; 34,000 bushels at 67 cents, \$22,780.

Flaxseed—2000 acres, 5 bushels per acre, 10,000 bushels at \$1, \$10,000.

Gardens and Small Fruits—\$62 per farm, \$15,868,280.

Grain Sorghum Seed—38,000 acres, 10 bushels per acre 722,000 bushels at 70 cents, \$505,400.

Grapes—10,280 tons at \$40, \$411,000.

Pastures—Value, \$28,810,200.

Peaches—1,500,000 bushels at 65 cents, \$975,000.

Pears—539,000 bushels at 55 cents, \$296,000.

Pecans 2,000,000 pounds at 8.2 cents \$163,000.

Potatoes, Farm Crop—49,000 acres, 75 bushels per acre; 3,675,000 bushels at 70 cents, \$2,572,000.

Potatoes, Commercial—5320 acres, 135 bushels per acre; 718,000 bushels at 63 cents, \$452,000.

Prairie Hay—135,000 acres, 1 ton per acre; 135,000 tons at \$4.80, \$648,000.

Rice—300 acres, 70 bushels per acre; 21,000 bushels at 60 cents, \$12,600.

Rye—28,000 acres, 12 bushels per acre; 336,000 bushels at 43 cents, \$144,000.

Sorghum (sorgo) Sirup—12,000 acres, 55 gallons per acre; 660,000 gal. at 62 cents, \$409,000.

Soybean Seed—90,000 acres, 12 bushels per acre; 1,080,000 bushels at 60 cents, \$648,000.

Spinach—1000 acres, 350 bushels per acre; 350,000 bushels at 33 cents, \$116,000.

Spring Wheat—7000 acres, 19 bushels per acre; 133,000 bushels at 50 cents, \$66,000.

Strawberries—12,150 acres, 29 crates per acre, 352,000 at \$3, \$1,056,000.

Sunflowers—500 acres, 400 pounds per acre; 200,000 pounds at 1 1/2 cents per pound, \$3,000.

Sweet Clover Seed—200 acres, 3 bushels per acre; 600 bushels at \$3.60, \$2,200.

Sweet Potatoes—10,000 acres, 90 bushels per acre; 900,00 bushels at 75 cents, \$675,000.

Timothy Seed—80,000 acres, 4.4 bu. per acre; 352,000 bushels at \$1.60, \$563,000.

Tobacco—8100 acres, 1050 pounds per acre, 8,505,000 pounds at 11 cents, \$936,000.

Tomatoes, Canning—20,000 acres, 21 tons per acre; 42,000, \$462,000.

Tomatoes, Fresh—5080 acres, 110 bushels per acre; 559,000 bushels at 75 cents, \$419,000.

Watermelons—10,690 acres, 300 melons per acre; 3,207,000 melons at \$50 per 1000 melons, \$160,000.

Total of the foregoing invoices of field, orchard, truck and garden crops, \$171,489,000.

SAYS MISSOURI FARMERS FACE 1931 IN IMPROVED CONDITION

Wright City, Mo., January 1.—Missouri farmers will enter the new year in much better financial condition than at the beginning of 1931, according to a statement given to the Associated Press by John F. Case, president of the State Board of Agriculture.

"The last year was exceptionally favorable in the production of food and feed," he said. "Cellars are filled with canned fruit and vegetables and apples. There are no hungry children on Missouri farms."

"With continued mild weather livestock enters 1932 in good condition, with feed stocks hardly touched. Despite low prices, Missouri farmers should have more money to spend in 1932 than in 1931. Not so much will

be needed to pay for food and feed. They still have courage and faith. "Missouri farmers demand tax readjustments in 1932. Farms are listed for taxation purposes at far above present value. They will demand that candidates for office pledge themselves to tax reduction".

MYSTERIOUS DISEASE AFFECTS OKARK SQUIRRELS

Poplar Bluff, January 1.—Squirrels in the Ozark region are believed to be afflicted with a mysterious disease, probably tularemia, according to Lew Moore, game warden here.

Moore said a man is now under medical care after contracting the disease while cleaning a squirrel. Although the disease is commonly known as a "rabbit disease", Moore says the man—now under a doctor's care had not handled rabbits.

"Just a few days ago," said Moore, "I found two squirrels dead at the foot of a tree. I examined them closely, but could find no indication that they had been killed. It is evident from these facts and from other reports that tularemia is now prevalent among squirrels in some localities".

NOT A SINGLE MILE OF SLAB IN DIVISION NINE

There is not a single mile of concrete paving in the ninth highway division, while there is 90 miles of highways paved within a radius of Sikeston, the home of the recent chairman of the State Highway Commission. It has always been the right and proper thing to do to get everything possible for one's home community and here's hopin' Mr. Ferguson, the new member of the highway board, gets a few feet of paving put down on Ozark highways. —West Plains Gazette.

The Manhattan will have a distinctive appearance at sea as two very low, rakish elliptical funnels top the three deck superstructure. Less interesting to most travelers and the public are the engine rooms, which are of vital import in marine circles.

The Tickville Mayor, who before each election for several years has declared he was going to pull the town out of the mud, is now determined to take some action, since being pulled out of the biggest mud-hole on Main Street.—Commercial Appeal.

HERE'S AN INDUSTRY BEGINNING TO SOAR—BEDBUGS IN DEMAND

Boston, January 1.—For the past few years the bed bug supply has exceeded the demand. The market showed little activity and bed bugs were offered for whatever they would bring. Buyers were inclined to hold off on important commitments. Pessimism gripped the grade.

Quotations on bed bugs turned the corner today, however, when an open bid for 1000 bugs by a Boston operator revealed a drastic shortage in local stocks. After an opening bid at one cent, the price shot up to three cents in the first hour of trading, and by noon five cents was being bid for a live bug on the hoof, f. o. b. Boston, with none offered.

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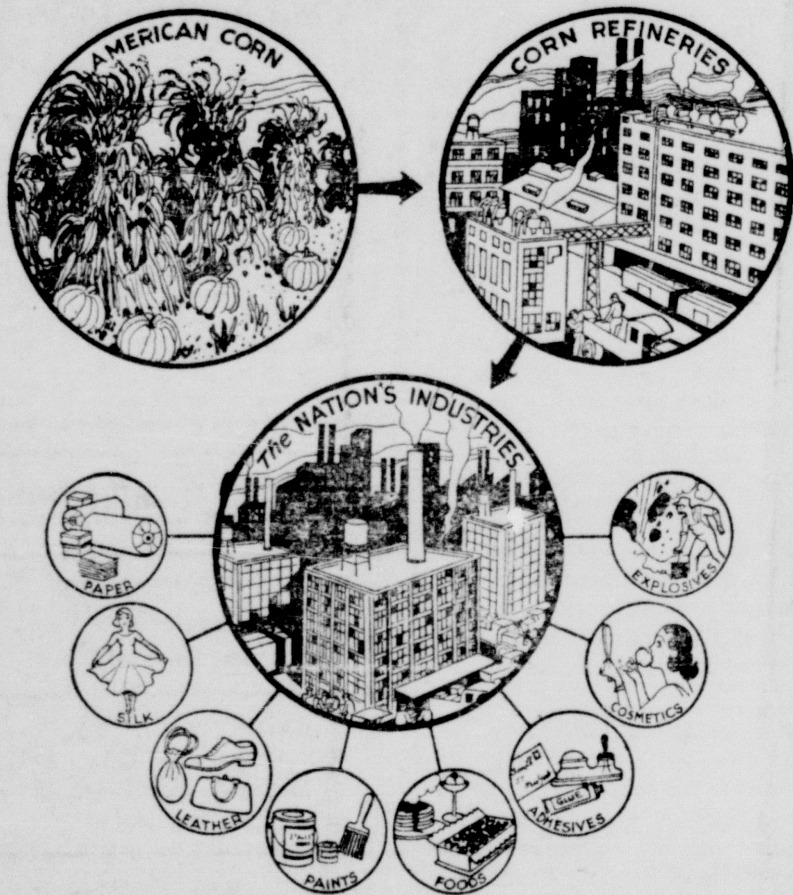
When you rise and dress in the morning you may make immediate use of corn, for starch is used to finish goods as well as in the laundry. When you pause to write a letter, starch may serve you as a filler or coating

kinship, may contain crude corn oil and so may glycerine. And another, lesser-known use is as a cotton softener.

Corn sugar plays its most important role in the preparation of foods but in its crude state it has certain industrial uses. It serves one purpose in the tanning of leather and another in the manufacture of artificial silk. One would hardly expect to find corn associated with a textile like silk, but without crude corn sugar it would be impossible to impart the necessary fine finish. Just how or why the sugar works is not understood but its known results insure a large consumption.

New Uses Being Found

Many as are the uses of corn and its products, chemists are by no means satisfied that the limit has been reached. They believe that starch and dextrins in particular can be put to many uses not now known and developments give weight to their belief. Gumming of postage stamps is a very



Agriculture and Industry are united by the products of corn. Every day the public uses corn in hundreds of forms.

of the paper on which you write. The ink that traces the words may contain corn dextrin and so does the gum that holds the envelope together and seals it. Now there is a very good chance that the adhesive on the back of the postage stamp will be made from corn. Licking a stamp, then, will simply complete a series of corn-consuming acts performed millions of times every day in this nation.

From the corn field to the gum of an envelope is a big jump but no greater than many others that could be named. We think of corn as a food product—and most of the corn grown is used that way, but so wide has industrial application become that importance can no longer be judged by quantity alone.

Importance of Corn Starch

An enormous volume of starch is used in the preparation of food stuffs and everybody realizes what a part it plays in the laundering of clothes, yet quite essential. Manufacturers of high explosives use it and so do the makers of the non-explosive powder that aids beauty. It also contributes to the serviceability of flashlights and radio batteries.

Starch passing through a simple but highly technical treatment becomes dextrin and dextrin has many uses besides that of making adhesives. Calico and other textiles are printed with colors that are thickened with it and even before the printing process dextrin has served a purpose by strengthening the fibre of the cloth. In foundries dextrin is used to bind the cores when molten metal is run off to molds. Even children are served by dextrin, for every Fourth of July "sparkler" contains some measure of it.

Surprising Uses

The greatest surprises are found in the uses of crude corn oil. The six principal commodities in which it is used can hardly be said to have anything in common. It is a valuable ingredient of certain kinds of soap. Artificial rubber, not as yet a widely known commercial product, contains it. Paint and varnishes, having some

Competition of Foreign Starches

The actual use of products of corn is proof of its essential nature, but there is even more significant proof available. If starch were not essential in industry we would not find imports of tapioca starch assuming larger and larger proportions. Industry must have starch from one source or another. If it can import it from other countries at lower cost than it can purchase it at home, competition applies pressure to do so. That's the reason for an importation of 152,000,000 pounds of tapioca starch which replaced 5,000,000 bushels of corn last year. No tariff halts the flow to these shores and cost is the primary consideration.

If a tariff were to be imposed on tapioca starch it would, of course, be of immense help to the farmer for it would insure the use of corn in preference to tapioca and would safeguard the development of the market. No new products of corn seeking to utilize the kernel can be anticipated for nothing has been overlooked. Even the water used to soften the corn is boiled down for soluble elements. Where gains are likely to be made are in the discovery of new uses and that rests with science which has already demonstrated its ability and given promise of unfolding further secrets for the benefit of the corn grower.

A continent is thought to have existed in the Pacific, a sort of Pacific Atlantis, which subsided, leaving only island-peaks to mark its place.

Having inherited a small ink-manufacturing business from her husband, Mrs. Augusta M. Prescott, of Springfield, Mass., is now a leading manufacturer of printing inks. Her business trebled in the first three years of her management.

A military officer and a lawyer were talking of war and the former was recounting the dangers of his profession, when the lawyer observed "that those who lived by the sword must expect to die by the sword". "By a similar rule," replied the officer, "those who live by the law must expect to die by the law".

Dr. Anne Walter Fearn, who spent 39 years in China practicing medicine, is in New York to interest business men and educators in a \$2,500,000 campaign for an endowment fund for the American School in Shanghai.

Working women of Russia are to be freed of their most burdensome household duties by placing their children in nurseries which are being established by the government and by taking their meals in public mess halls.

Mrs. Nora O'Neill of South English, Iowa, mother of two girls, has been head of a road grading gang for 25 years. Her outfit includes attractive green and white bungalow on wheels. She has 49 mules and eighteen workmen.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL FROM CHARLESTON

Charleston.—On Tuesday evening, December 22, at Blodgett, Miss Opal Pope, niece of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wicks of East Prairie, was united in marriage to George Staples, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. B. Staples, of this city, Rev. McDaniel, pastor of the Blodgett Methodist church, officiating.

The wedding was kept secret until Christmas Day.

Mrs. Staples is a popular school teacher of the county, having taught the Medley School of this county, which closed in November.

Mr. Staples is connected with Carr Oil Co. of this city and is well known throughout the county.

Friday, December 25, at 11 o'clock a. m., in Cape Girardeau, at the home of the officiating minister, Rev. R. M. Talbert, Miss Kathleen McFadden, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George E. McFadden and Glenn Hutson of this city were united in marriage.

The bride wore a Spring model of new blue silk fashioned in a two-piece sport suit, with hat, coat and other accessories of black. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Tinnell of Poplar Bluff, accompanied them to Cape Girardeau and served as attendants. Mrs. Tinnell, the bride's twin sister, wearing green silk trimmed in black, with accessories of black.

Immediately following the ceremony, the young couple left for Memphis, Tenn., where they are spending the week.

Both bride and groom are widely known and popular with people of the community.

Mrs. Hutson has for the past two years been private secretary for Ed Griffin, connected with the State Finance Department. Mr. Hutson is connected with Friedman Store of this city as head salesman.

On Saturday morning, December 26, at St. Henry's Catholic church, the pastor, Rev. Fr. John R. Weiberg, in a very quiet ceremony, united in marriage Miss Mildred Rafferty, daughter of Mrs. Julia Rafferty of Wyatt and Fred Smith of England, who is connected with McCaughy Construction Co., now located at Vicksburg, Mississippi.

The bride wore a lovely silk dress of new blue shade, with hat, coat and other accessories of brown.

Following the ceremony, the bride and groom went to Cape Girardeau, returning to Wyatt Sunday evening.

The bride has for the past two years taught the Bird's Point school of this county. She is an attractive young woman and has many friends who regret her departure from this community.

On December 24, at 6 o'clock p. m. at the home of Rev. R. M. Talbert in Cape Girardeau, Miss Florence Bibb, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Bibb and Paul Busby, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bud Busby, two popular young people of Lusk Chapel District, of this county, were united in marriage, Rev. Talbert officiating. Only relatives and intimate friends witnessed the ceremony.

The bride wore an afternoon frock of pale blue silk with flounces of silk net in ankle length, her accessories being of black.

Since their return to their home, they have been the honorees of several social affairs.

A witch-doctor of the South Seas can starve a man to death by tabooing all food. So strong is the belief there in taboo that natives have been known to die after eating food they were later told had been tabooed.

According to the opinion of Mrs. Herbert Hoover, wife of President Hoover, "the housewife who stands at the kitchen sink washing dishes three times a day is not a bit less courageous than the big game hunter".

Miss Grace S. Stoemer, assistant vice president of the Bank of Italy, Los Angeles, Cal., was elected president of the Association of Bank Women during its eighth annual convention recently held in Cleveland, Ohio.

To fit a concrete dam across the Saguenay River, an engineer successfully tried the daring feat of building the dam in the front of an up-ended block on a pier at the river's edge and then blasting away the pier so that the concrete block would fall into place.

A cat that goes from room to room in the house, opening and closing doors as he walks, is owned by Mrs. Iris King at Charden, Ohio. Tom has learned to operate antique thumb latches in Mrs. King's home, a family possession for three generations. Mrs. King says Tom learned to work the latches from Nig, an older cat that lived at the house and that is now dead.

MARINE LEADERS THRILLED AT BIG LINER LAUNCHING



With a length of 705 feet and more than 30,000 gross registered tons this magnificent liner will soon take her place in the trans-Atlantic lanes where she will dash back and forth at a speed better than 20 knots per hour. The Manhattan will enter the first class New York-channel ports and Hamburg service early next summer as the last word in the art of American shipbuilding.

Captain George Fried, whose name and exploits are legend in all the ports of the world, will command the SS Manhattan. This latest addition to the nation's premier fleet is expected to become one of the most favored of ships that meet the demand of American travelers who insist on luxury, comfort and service of the highest order.

There are seven great decks devoted to accommodations for passengers. Staterooms with full sized beds, telephones, ample wardrobes, garages for automobiles, a swimming pool, a verandah cafe, beautifully decorated lounges and spacious decks for sports and recreation will make possible ocean travel pleasures which approach the ideal.

One of the outstanding innovations in the Manhattan is the air conditioning system which brings to the

seafaring world temperature control. Contracts for the Manhattan and her sister ship were awarded May 29, 1930, by the United States Lines. Each ship was to cost \$9,515,000, with an additional expense of \$750,000 each for furnishings not part of the regular contract. The keel of the Manhattan was laid December 6, 1930, and the construction work proceeded rapidly, giving employment to thousands of workers. Materials used in the ship have been purchased in every State in the union.

One of the unique features of the launching was the christening with a bottle of water from some historic source and water from these selections was blended in the larger bottle used for the christening.

Safety for passengers is far in excess of the requirements of the London Safety Convention of 1929 and machinery spaces have been so planned that the vessel could not be rendered completely helpless. Steel lifeboats of heavier metal than called for by government regulations and every known mechanical device for safety and efficiency of operation are installed on the ship. The most modern radio equipment and a new re-broadcasting system reach all parts of the vessel are included in the equipment.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL FROM MORLEY

Mr. and Mrs. D. R. McCullough of New Madrid were Morley visitors Wednesday.

Miss Mildred Hutchings of Hayti returned to her home Wednesday, after a week's visit with Miss Ruth Cunningham.

Marjorie Cannon, 8 years old, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Cannon suffered a broken shoulder Sunday, when she fell from a swing only a short distance from the ground.

Floyd Cunningham left Wednesday for Arlington, Ky., where he will enter school.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Earles returned

home Monday from Marion, Ill., where they made a five-day visit with their son, R. J. Earles and family.

Mesdames Leslie Watson and Harry Jones of Sikeston visited at the J. F. Watson home Friday. Mrs. Watson suffered an attack of gall stones and was not able to return home.

Justine McCullough of New Madrid spent the past week with her cousin, Camille Emerson.

Miss Mabel Caughlin spent a few days at Cape Girardeau before her return to Kennett to resume her teaching.

Mrs. J. W. Zimmerman was hostess to the W. M. S. of the Baptist church Wednesday afternoon, but owing to the inclement weather only seven members were present. A miscellaneous program was led by Mrs.

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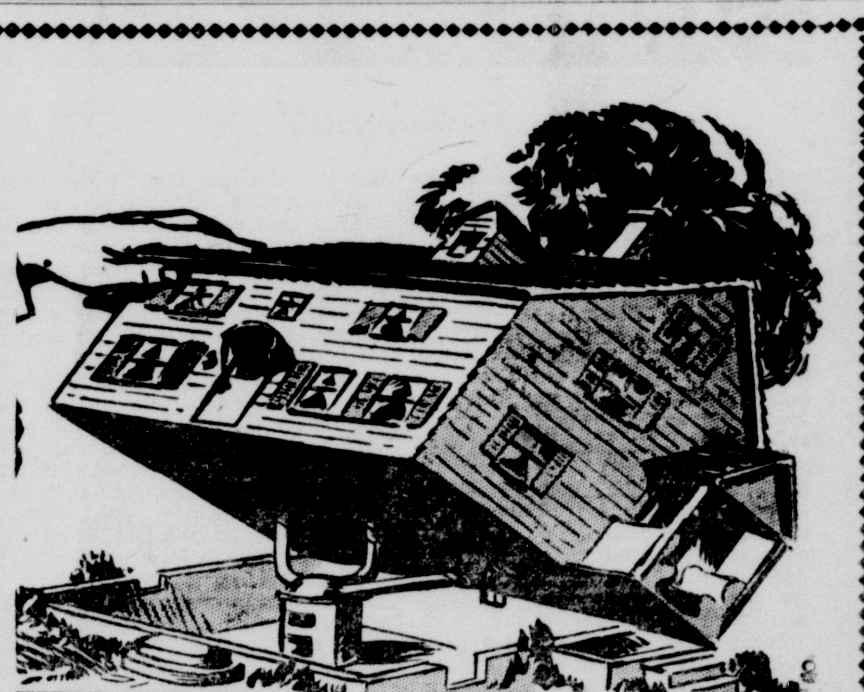
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